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ELOPERS CAUGHT

In This City This Morning By Police.

ELROY KING AND MRS. SUSAN FOWLER

Who Disappeared Last April From Revere, Mass.

After an absence of almost a year from her home, Susan Fowler, aged 20, the erring wife of Harry H. Fowler, who eloped with Elroy King, aged 47, of this city, last April, while living in Revere, Mass., has been located by her husband and brought to account for her action.

Mrs. Fowler is a pretty and refined, though poorly dressed Kentuckian, just out of her teens, and is the wife of a hard working stevedore, employed at the India wharf in Boston. Some time last year she met Elroy King of Lowell, old enough to be her father, short of stature, dark, swarthy and lame, and sometimes known by the name of Smith. She fell in love with him and last April they disappeared, coming to Lowell, where they resided with King's family at the corner of Washington and Hale streets, until the members of the family ascertained that the couple were not man and wife, it is said, when the erring couple had to leave. Since then they have lived in Chelmsford. On Wednesday, Mr. Fowler first learned of his wife's whereabouts and yesterday he came to Lowell and swore out a warrant against the pair for lewd and lascivious cohabitation. This morning they were arrested by Officer McKenzie on Chelmsford street and locked up.

FIRE ON KEENE STREET

FINNICK'S BAKERY AND BARN BURNED.

A Horse Burned in the Barn—Fire Started From an Overheated Oven.

Finnick's bakery and barn were destroyed by fire at 1.45 this morning.

The structure is located on Keene street and the blaze caught from an overheated oven.

When the fire department arrived a lively blaze was in progress and it was given greater headway because the men were unable to locate the hydrants on Walnut street. The insurance amounted to about $1500 or $2000.

SOME MILL NEWS.

Merrimack Company Makes an Addition To Its Plush Room.

The Merrimack Manufacturing company has erected an addition to its plush room which practically gives it another entire floor. The new room will be opened one week from Monday.

The men who were laid off by the Lowell Machine Shop company a few weeks ago have not returned to work yet.

A portion of the finishing department of the Merrimack company is running overtime.

Many of the weaving looms in the Massachusetts are running heavy work, which is very tiring on women, in particular.

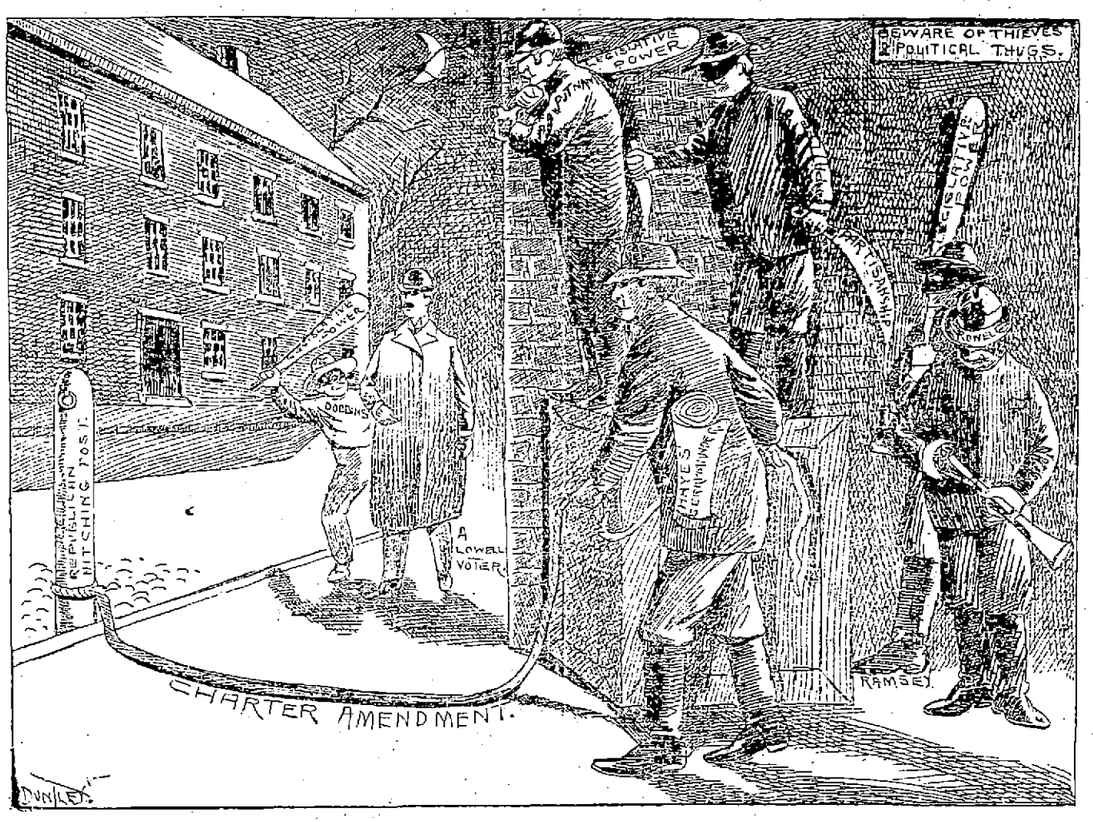
POLICE NOTES.

Liquor Inspector Goodwin found a small pocketbook containing change which the woman can have by proving property at the police station.

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THE ASSAULT UPON THE LOWELL VOTER.

The gang of political freebooters from Lowell prepare an assault upon the Lowell voter.

Dick Dobbins, who became a statesman before he was naturalized, leads the attack, while W. H. I. Hayes holds the deadly rope by which the unsuspecting voter is to be downed and Rowell, Ramsey, Pattee, Lang and Putnam are all ready to jump upon him with their bludgeons as soon as the opportunity arrives.

There is no species of political piracy, no description of legislative robbery, or of gerrymandering that has not been tried upon the Lowell voter, and now he is to become the victim of the worst gang of political thugs, thieves and robbers that the city has ever produced.



Mother. Husband. Wife.

PRINCIPALS IN THE CASSABON SHOPLIFTING CASE THIS MORNING.

FOR SHOPLIFTING

Mrs. Cassabon and Daughter Arrested.

MOTHER FINED $20—DAUGHTER GETS 4 MONTHS.

The Husband Looking For a Divorce.

As a result of her husband's jealousy, Mrs. Obeline Cassabon and her mother Mrs. Victoria Blouin, are under arrest, the former charged with shoplifting and the latter with larceny.

Mrs. Cassabon is a petite and pretty French girl aged about 18 years, while her husband, Adelard is 20. She works in the Boott and it is said thinks a trifle more than propriety allows of a young man who works beside her. The husband noticing that her love for him was losing its temperature informed Inspectors Laflamme and Allen of his jealousy and wanted something done about it. The inspectors met Mrs. Cassabon on the street and gave her fatherly advice at which she laughed stating that her husband's jealousy was unfounded.

Late yesterday afternoon Mr. Cassabon returned to the police station with Mr. Farrell a floorwalker of the Bon Marche and made a complaint against the wife for shoplifting telling the officers that he had accompanied her to the store and had seen her take numerous articles.

He did not explain why he did not complain of her when he first noticed her wrongdoing.

When the complaint was sworn out the officers went to the house, 22 John avenue, and arrested Mrs. Cassabon, who immediately made a scene.

The officers found several fancy articles and a hat which Mrs. Cassabon had been wearing. Later on her mother, Mrs. Victoria Blouin, accompanied by her sister, visited the station and became so excited upon facing the husband that she had to be led away.

The mother, Mrs. Blouin, has been employed by Mrs. Marjorie Gadbout on Eighteeth street, and since her departure Mrs. Gadbout has missed a quanity of valuable lace. The inspectors knowing this informed Mrs. Blouin that they must search her apartments to ascertain if any goods stolen by the daughter were in her possession. Mrs. Blouin walked into the trap, though she indignantly denied any knowledge of her daughter's peculations and was only too willing that her house be searched.

The inspectors went to the house of Mrs. Charles Albert on Moody street, where Mrs. Blouin resides and found the missing lace in a trunk. They arrested Mrs. Blouin.

Then with both women arrested, Mr. Cassabon requested a divorce immediately but didn't get it. Last night he repented his hasty action and offered to settle with the Bon Marche if his wife would be freed but the case had gone too far and the wife must appear in court.

The Strangest Feature.

But the strangest feature of the entire case came to light this morning when Cassabon walked into the police station and gave himself up, begging to be taken in place of his wife. He offered to go into court, plead guilty and take any sentence if they would only let his poor wife go free and when his offer was refused he felt very sad at heart.

Case in Court.

The case was called in court and Lawyer Rivet appearing for the daughter pleaded guilty. He said that the girl was very young and had been married about a year. Her husband wouldn't let her work in the mill as he was jealous of her and she was probably driven to theft by lack of funds.

Then the case of the mother was called and Major Gadbout and his wife appeared as government witnesses. Mrs. Gadbout identified the lace found in the trunk as a a portion of her's which she missed from her bureau. No evidence was offered by the defence.

The court fined the mother $20 to be paid in three days or three months in jail.

The daughter received four months in jail.

During the trial the husband was in court with a bag containing bananas which he intended to give his wife. But when he visited the pair in the cells they made frantic efforts to get at him threatening all sorts of vengeance. Cassabon kept the bananas and went away laughing asking in the meantime how he could get a divorce.

Nearing the End.

The Mexicau Medicine company, now nearing its stay in Lowell, has already disposed of in this city thousands of bottles of Zyuo, the great Mexican blood tonic and have given away thousands of samples as well as received hundreds of Lowell testimonials attesting to the curative powers of the celebrated remedy which is invaluable in the care of all stomach, liver and kidney troubles. Everybody wants to make sure to give Zyno a trial before this celebrated medical company leaves Lowell. Only a few days left to purchase the large one dollar bottles for 25 cents at the office 32 Central street. Purchase now for delays are dangerous.

Police Court—Hadley, J.

Six drunks, but no sentences.

Edward Desrosiers was in recently for fraudulent conveyance and since then he threatened the complainant in the case. This morning he was fined $1 and put under $100 to keep the peace.

ADMITTED PERJURY.

In a Case Involving Murder at Portland, Me.

Portland, Me., Jan. 23.—Leslie A. Kenison pleaded guilty to assault and battery and perjury in the superior court yesterday. Three weeks ago, so Kenison acknowledged in court, he struck Mark Bachelder of Sebago over the head with a sled stake during a row. Bachelder was found dead the next morning beside the road, but Kenison was only indicted for assault with a dangerous weapon. This was changed to simple assault, to which Kenison pleaded guilty. Before the coroner's jury, Kenison did not tell the truth about the row with Bachelder, and so he was indicted for perjury, to which he also pleaded guilty. Miss Bertha L. Chaplin, who was also indicted for perjury before the coroner's jury in the Kenison case, pleaded guilty. She said Walter Martin had asked her to falsify her evidence to save Kenison from going to jail. Martin committed suicide during the session of the coroner's jury. Miss Chaplin and Kenison will be sentenced later.

Common Sense

Should be exercised in taking a remedy for catarrh. It is caused by impurity in the blood. Snuffs and inhalants are of little avail. They have been tried in thousands of cases and have failed to cure, but Hood's Sarsaparilla has power to cure catarrh because it purifies the blood.

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DARING HOLD-UP

In the Highland District Last Evening.

MISS E. C. GREENE, THE ARTIST, THE LOSER

Of a Pocketbook and Some Keys.

Two highwaymen snatched a pocketbook from Miss Ella C. Greene as she walked along Westford street, near Dover, about 6 o'clock last evening. Both immediately escaped in the direction of Middlesex street. The pocket-book contained $9, some keys and a ticket between Lowell and Concord.

About the same time a pocket-book was snatched from a woman in Dover street.

Delia Marnel of 640 Market street lost her pocket-book containing $34, on Friday in the same way.

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$5 Burt Kid Button patent tips, new stylish toe, $3.

$3 Box Calf lace and Button Boots, double sole, new coin cap toe, $2.

$2 Misses' Dongola Boot, button and lace, wide toe, $1.

MEN'S

$4 Calf Congress Graham or wide cap toe, $2.

$5 Grain Waukenphast congress, calf lined, also Calf Waukenphast Hathaway, Soule, and Harrington's make, $3.

$3 Dongola Congress $1.50.

$5 Patent Dress Congress, $3.

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MORGAN SPEAKS

Letter From Minister of Central America

STARTLES THE U. S. SENATE AND AROUSES MORGAN.

Diplomacy With Great Britain Viewed Suspiciously.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The session of the senate yesterday developed three distinct sensations. Most important of these was the presentation by Mr. Sherman of a letter from Minister Rodriguez, the representative of the greater republic of Central America (including Nicaragua), in effect, protesting against the execution of the Nicaraguan canal project by the United States, under the concession granted in 1887 to the Nicaraguan Canal company. The debate was very earnest, and the letter made a profound impression on the senators.

Earlier in the day the senate unexpectedly found itself discussing the new Anglo-American treaty. While the treaty itself has been released, all discussion of it is restricted to executive sessions. Notwithstanding this rule, the expressions were free and full from Messrs. Sherman, Gray, Cullom, Lodge, Hoar and others. The statements of these senators were uniformly favorable to the high principal of the treaty, the only qualification being that it should receive mature and dispassionate consideration. Shortly after the session began, Mr. Turpie caused a preliminary flurry by criticising the reported agreement between Mr. Olney and Mr. Sherman, by which no action was to be taken as to Cuba before March 4. Mr. Sherman emphatically denied that any such agreement had been made, and added that he had not had a word with Mr. Olney in that direction. Mr. Turpie gave notice of a speech on the Cameron Cuban resolution on Monday. These three incidents relating to current foreign questions made the day's session one of the most eventful in years.



SENATOR MORGAN.

Sherman created quite a sensation by presenting and having read a communication from the minister of the Greater Republic of Central America to the secretary of state, which had been transmitted by Secretary Olney. The communication criticised the pending Nicaragua canal bill in various particulars, and pointed out certain objections which in his opinion would render them nugatory. The communication was signed by J. D. Rodriguez.

As soon as the communication had been read Morgan took the floor. He said the communication had come before the senate in proper form, because it came through the state department; but the senate had no knowledge who the signer was; did not even know officially of the existence of the "great republic of Central America." "Rodriguez is the accredited representative here of that republic," interrupted Mr. Sherman.

"I understand," replied Morgan, "that he has been received by the diplomatic corps, but this is our first knowledge that such a government exists. The president in receiving this representative of the diet distinctly informed him, as we learn from the newspapers, that our relations with the peoples of the governments he represented would be in no wise affected."

Morgan said the British government was interested in counteracting the purposes of the United States as to Nicaragua. He had so expressed his conviction to the secretary of state. British railway lines had been established across the isthmus for the distinct purpose of securing exclusive control of this isthmus communication. This belief was confirmed by recent developments.

Turning to the letter from Minister Rodriguez, the senator exclaimed: "Great Britain is using that diet as a catspaw for the purpose of driving us out of the isthmus. That is a serious statement, but I make it deliberately in the United States senate and it demands an answer. That answer must be given before there is any ratification of this new arbitration treaty."

Morgan said it was an unusual thing that the minister for this new republic should send such a communication. If these governments desired to forfeit any concessions they should do it, and then the American congress would determine if there should have been a violation of contract rights given to American citizens.

Senator Hale interposed the suggestion that Minister Rodriguez' letter seemed to raise a grave question as to whether the measure under consideration could proceed. Whether this could be explained or not he was not able to say, but he asked Morgan, in charge of the bill, as to the status since the presentation of this letter.

Other senators interposed questions and intense interest was shown in the appearance of the unexpected letter. White asked if there was a minister from Nicaragua.

Morgan explained the diplomatic status. Nicaragua was formerly represented by a minister, Dr. Guzman, but he had gone. Nicaragua had entered the Central American republic, and this latter union had sent Minister Rodrigues to represent it at Washington.

"This is an impertinent intrusion, thrust in our face while the senate is seeking to settle the isthmian question."

Morgan favored making Nicaragua live up to her contract and concessions. Until lately she had favored American construction of the canal. And yet she comes here with two other Central American countries, and raised objections which, if held to be good, would end the prospect of American control of the Nicaragua canal. The American people would not quietly give up the right to control that great waterway, whatever clamor may be raised for a peace treaty with Great Britain. The presentation of this letter, coming from the secretary of state, meant that the president of the United States had determined that the pending Nicaraguan canal bill was not to be allowed to pass. That was a remarkable threat, and yet it was so in line with previous executive action that Mr. Morgan said he felt quite prepared for the interference.

Morgan said that the real cause for the appearance of this Rodriguez letter was that it proposed a renewal of the Frelinghuysen-Savalla treaty, by which we were to pay Nicaragua $4,000,000.

"Does Nicaragua wish to handle that $4,000,000?" inquired Morgan, suggestively.

The senator believed this was the real motive for the appearance of the letter.

Morgan said the pending bill proposed to submit to the government of Nicaragua the question whether it would accept the contract, but Nicaragua had no right to come here and attempt to interfere with our action by saying that the bill would violate a treaty. If she did not desire to accept the contract she could reject it. If the position of Nicaragua, as presented by this communication, could be sustained, it would enable her to go to Great Britain with the proposition she desired to press here on the United States.

Morgan said the letter of Rodriguez was in effect a notice to the senate not to pass the Nicaragua canal bill. With this threat "flaunted in our faces," and the Anglo-American treaty standing ahead of us, the United States senate might as well close its work and surrender the functions as to accept the views of this minister, about whom the senate knows nothing.

Hale insisted that Rodriguez was fully recognized; the letter of Secretary Olney termed him "minister of the Central American republic." Nicaragua had merged her identity into the new republic. Hale insisted that the minister's protest was of the gravest importance.

Proceeding, Morgan said it was regrettable that senators were under such contempt from the president that they were not informed as to the circumstances of Rodriguez' presence. The president had, at the ceremony of recognition, expressly stated that the obligations originally entered into by the several states of the American union were in no way surrendered. But the senate was in such humiliating position that the president gave it no information as to this important question. The entire plan of building the canal might as well be abandoned if this threat from Rodriguez was heeded. Would the next step be to ratify a treaty which further bedged and protected Great Britain? That might satisfy some gentlemen who liked foreign titles and decorations and aristocracy, but it did not suit him, and he would never approve it.

He said this was a serious moment in the senate. It was being tendered a "halter" with which to hang itself for at least five years. The United States had stood by silently while the British had occupied Corinto. And now this proposition of blackmail was presented which threatened to destroy the bill. He expected and awaited a motion to recommit the bill.

Morgan said an inquiry should be started. It was useless for him to propose an inquiry, as the state department would decline to answer. "This movement of Rodriguez was inspired by the British government," exclaimed Mr. Morgan, "and he was sent here for that purpose."

Hale answered that he did not consider the assertion justified. He felt, too, that the word "blackmail" was ill-chosen and that Nicaragua's motive was not open to such insinuations.

Vilas said the communication from the minister of a friendly power added a death blow to the pending canal bill. The senator paid a high tribute to the Central American states, and severely criticised the statement that "blackmail" was implied by the communication just presented. It ill became senators of the great neighboring republic to use such terms toward the republics of the south. The letter of Minister Rodriguez was dignified and respectful, addressed to the proper branch of the government, the state department. He could not believe the senate would disregard this communication of grave importance, coming from the representative of a friendly power.

Yesterday was private bill day in the house, and most of the time was consumed with small bills. The bill to provide for holding terms of the United States court of the eastern district of Texas at the town of Beaumont was passed over the president's veto by a vote of 144 to 68. Incidental to the discussion, Mr. Cooper of Texas remarked that the president vetoed the bill through a misapprehension, and that he had vainly tried to get an audience with Mr. Cleveland to explain the measure.

Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio spoke sarcastically of the president's custom of refusing to see congressmen unless his private secretary approved of their errands.

A bill to pay William P. Buckmaster of St. Louis, the survivor of the Fulton Iron Works company of Brooklyn, $22,000, for work on the warship Otsego, in 1862, was defeated.

Pension bills for the survivors of Gray's battalion of Arkansas volunteers, who served in the Mexican war, and their widows; for the widow of General Green Clay Smith, at $50 a month; the widow of General George J. Leet, at $25, were passed.

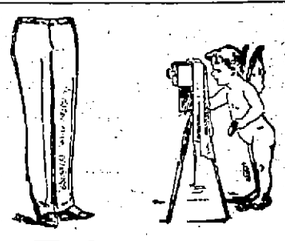
After the night pension session, the house adjourned until Monday.

John L. Returns to Boston.

New Bedford, Mass., Jan. 23.—John L. Sullivan, who has been ill of tonsilitis, has recovered and returned to Boston.

Habeas Corpus For Mrs. Dupont.

Boston, Jan. 23.—Judge Barker signed yesterday a writ of habeas corpus to hold Mrs. Annie M. Dupont, accused of embezzlement in New York, in this city until her identity can be established. The case is set for Tuesday morning.



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Brief Sketch of His Brilliant Career.

Very Rev. Dr. Edward P. Allen, who was announced last night in despatches from Rome as being appointed bishop of Mobile, Ala., is a native of Tewksbury. Rev. Dr. Allen is 38 years old.

His father, John Allen, came to Lowell about 60 years ago from Ireland, and opened one of the first meat and provision stores in the city, at the corner of Market and Hanover streets. Later he removed to Tewksbury, where he became a farmer. He had a large family, and Rev. Dr. Allen was obliged to seek employment in the Middlesex mills to assist his parents. Subsequently he was employed by Dr. J. C. Ayer in his laboratory.

Determining to become a priest, young Allen studied in a local commercial college and with priests in Lowell. He was graduated at Mt. St. Mary's college, and later in the seminary. He served as a curate in South Framingham and in other places in this state. When the council of



Very Rev. EDWARD P. ALLEN, D. D.

bishops decided to reorganize the staff at Mt. St. Mary's college, Rev. Dr. Allen was appointed vice president. Later he succeeded Very Rev. William Bryne, now vicar general of this archdiocese, as president.

Rev. Dr. Allen has been a frequent visitor to Lowell. Four of his brothers and one sister reside here. Another sister is married and resides in the Roxbury district of Boston. One of his brothers was the late Ex-Alderman, Richard B. Allen. Many other relatives in Lowell will join with hundreds of friends in congratulating him on his deserved promotion.

Bishop Allen is a remarkably brilliant scholar and a man of rare executive ability as is evidenced by his success in conducting the affairs of Mt. St. Mary's college.

He was a great favorite with all in his charge, being kind, indulgent and yet a disciplinarian. It has always been the prognostication of students at the college that Rev. Fr. Allen would be raised to a bishopric while yet a young man.

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If Platt succeeds as boss in the U. S. senate, Hanna will lose his occupation in case he be elected.

The Citizen might as well remember that its antecedents have caused democrats to look with suspicion upon any democratic movement which meets its special approval.

BACKMAILING DEMOCRATS.

The News says the Sun defends caucus robbers. Not at all. The Sun is merely defending the democratic party against the charge made by the News that "democrats make it impossible for a democratic administration to succeed," that "democrats aided and abetted fraudulent voting on election day in order to defeat Mayor Courtney."

As a case in point the News mentions the voting upon Edward Donnelly's name, saying that it was ignored by democrats but does the News know how that repeater voted? It is now in order for the News to prove by its own peculiar system of logic that two democrats, not two republicans, should have been convicted for the horse trade and that it was undoubtedly a democrat who killed Belenger.

IMPEACH CLEVELAND AND OLNEY.

The United States today stands in the disgraceful attitude of condoning the slaughter of wounded men and defenceless women, aye, even of American citizens in Cuba. Neither the red cross, the white flag nor the Stars and Stripes will suffice to stay the fury of Weyler's butchers. Verily it is time for the people of this country to take the matter in hand and if necessary to impeach Cleveland and Olney for being in collusion with Spain for the merciless butchery of Cubans of every age and both sexes.

POLITICAL PIRACY AS A REWARD FOR MAYOR COURTNEY'S NON-PARTISANSHIP.

The committee on cities of the legislature has decided to amend the city charter in the interest of republicans and of course the bill reported by that unscrupulous coterie will pass.

The present charter bill was "doctored" to suit the wishes of the republicans before being submitted to the legislature. It was passed as a republican measure after getting the approval of the republican city committee of Lowell. Then the farce of submitting it to the people was gone through. Why insult the voters of Lowell by asking them to pass judgment on a charter and then change it after being adopted, without consulting the people, without considering their rights.

Only one thing is considered and that is the power which the legislature possesses to rob the people of their rights throughout the state.

Let it be proclaimed that while this legislature exists as at present constituted, no act of political piracy is too great to be carried out by its republican majority.

Mayor Courtney has been paying obsequious deference to the republicans, because he received some republican votes. He has followed a course which has been more nonpartisan than that of any other mayor of this city for the last quarter of a century, but is that considered now? No. There never was a mayor of Lowell treated with such outrageous indignity as has been displayed toward him in the gerrymander, in the redistricting of the city in which they robbed him temporarily of his veto power by special act of the legislature.

After two years of his nonpartisan administration of the city's business it happens that he comes into the responsibility of appointing heads of departments, and before he has fairly begun to exercise that power, the republicans are out with a bill to transfer it to the city or in other words to themselves.

This is the reward Mayor Courtney gets for his nonpartisan policy. This shows how timely and considerate was the counsel offered him by the News when about inauguration day it solemnly cautioned him how to act, and announced to the public that

"The mayor should not be expected to wholly confine his appointments to friendship or party ties."

That is the old policy of the News which has been given out in one form or another every year a democratic mayor happened to be elected. It was always more considerate for republicans than for democrats.

Now the democrats are receiving the reward of their liberal policy, of their consideration for republicans.

What is Mayor Courtney's duty to the democracy of Lowell under the present circumstances?

It is to push the Bray-Varnum case to a hasty conclusion.

If the court decides that the power of appointment is properly his, then let him appoint a complete list of city officials and all democrats.

If the bill is liable to be passed before the court's decision can be obtained, then let him without further delay appoint all heads of departments, and notify all subordinates in each department that his appointee must be obeyed.

The bill even if passed cannot be retroactive, so that the mayor's appointees could hold office for a year in spite of what crime the political freebooters may embody under the name of an amended charter.

STORIES OF THE DAY

Dr. Talmage's Secret—How the Great Divine Attracts the People.

The story as it was told me:

We were missionaries together in a frontier town of the great northwest, he a stiff back, strait laced Presbyterian, who had swerved from the old Dutch Reformed church of the Mohawk valley to fill a more modern niche; I of a more liberal faith. He was an old man; I young. In one of our many long conversations—for we were cronies and I liked to hear his reminiscences—he told me of his schoolfellow, Talmage. "What! T. De Witt?" "Yea, verily, the same. We were in college and in the theological seminary together." Being encouraged, the dominie went on: "Robert Talmage was the great Talmage of the Talmage family. He was born great. He has been a missionary in China many, many years. But De Witt has made himself great."

"You interest me—genius of birth and of growth both in the same family. Tell me of the genius that grows, develops. There is hope for some of us maybe." A broad grin spread over his face as he complied. "We were installed in charges not very distant from each other, and as two young men began our work. It was among the good old Dutch Reformed brethren, not far from New York. Being in the same presbytery, as we call it now, De Witt and myself were brought together from time to time. We were interested—yes, glad—to know of the growth of the Lord's work in each other's hands. During the first year we met one day, and to my hail, 'De Witt, how goes the times?' he made answer, 'Slow, slow, B., slow.' 'How is that?' 'Well, there are too many empty pews.' I tell you, B., I am going to make a break.' I laughed and said: 'You better spend more time with your Bible. Be on your knees more for your people. Agonize more for souls.' He replied hastily, 'I do all these things, am wearing myself out to no purpose that way, and I am going to make a break.'

"We went our several ways and had forgotten his threat, if, indeed, it was a threat, 'I am going to make a break,' when one day we met on a committee, and I grasped his hand, with the, 'Well, old boy, how goes it?' His answer was, 'First rate—splendid!' and he looked it. 'But,' I whispered, 'they say they are going to ship you down there?' 'All right,' said he; 'I'll go to a larger place.' 'You made the break and have no empty pews. Tell me about it.' And this was his story. He noticed the show people and theater people had the willing crowds and the churches the unwilling few. What was the secret? Who had the secret? Evidently the actors.

"He immediately wrote to a friend in New York city for the address of some one who would be a good trainer for the stage, and in due time by engagement, was greeted at his door. It was his annual summer vacation. The man looked surprised when he learned De Witt's errand, seemed to hesitate for a moment, and then said, 'Mr. Talmage, I suspect you are a clergyman, and I never train clergymen, so cannot take you as a pupil.' De Witt bridled at the thought. 'Why, sir, why?' 'Simply impossible. You would not do as I tell you, and, if you did, they would expel you from the pulpit.' 'But I will do as you tell me, and I will take the risk of expulsion.'

"But let me give you the story in his own words. The trainer went on to say: 'You were educated all wrong according to our standard of speaking. All ministers are.' I answered promptly, 'I believe you.' He continued, 'You speak from a little box pulpit high up?' 'Yes, sir.' 'Will you agree to abandon that and have a large platform like a stage for you to walk around on to talk to men from?' 'Yes, sir,' with some hesitation as the ghosts of ministerial propriety glared at me from the unchanging past. 'However, Mr. Talmage, the greatest difficulty to remove I will find in yourself rather than in the church building. There is not a thing you have been trying to do but is wrong.' He was growing interesting. 'Mr. Talmage, you believe in this book,' picking up a small Bible; 'that men must know its truths?' 'Yes, sir; I do.' 'That if they would be saved they must receive them; that the choice of life or death is here?' 'Yes, sir.' 'That thousands will go down to death unsaved unless you teach them to receive Christ?' 'Yes, sir.' 'And this is the way you go about it.' Changing his quick, nervous, earnest ways to great deliberation, he straightened up to his highest, seemingly, buttoned his coat, touched up his hair, slowly adjusted a pair of glasses, dropped his arm by his sides and began a dead march in 'Saul' pace to the imaginary pulpit. A face of chalk would have had as much expression as his as he calmly opened the book and read in a perfunctory way some Scripture.

"He cleared his ministerial voice and, turning to me, said, 'Mr. Talmage, did I do it justice?' 'Yes, too true to life.' He came back to my side, unbuttoned his coat, put on an alert look, strode to his pulpit, opened the book with eagerness, and with flashing eye and fervid voice read Scripture, making my blood tingle. His every hair seemed to believe and speak, his flesh to creep, as if pent with a great message. He talked as though he stood between the living and the dead; as though for the last time; as though earth as a grain of sand were being lost on the shores of oblivion and frosted and polsied all the achievements of man. If lifeless with dignity before, he was now all life, all eloquence. He stopped and said, 'Mr. Talmage, will you do like that?' I said, 'I will try.' He said, 'Note this: You ministers express what you believe in such a way that people do not believe you believe it, while we actors express what we do not believe in such a way that people believe we believe it.' 'So, you see,' said Mr. Talmage, 'I have the secret and the multitude.'"—F. H. in Chicago Times-Herald.

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"LOST IN THE WOODS."

An Instance In Which This Was Literally True of Men Supposed to Be Lynched.

In the summer of 1894 H. B. Walker, the railroad agent at Suspension, Ala., was shot and robbed by two negroes. Detective Wallace of Columbus, Ga., while trying to arrest Riley Walker and Richard Williams, colored, for the crime, was shot and killed by them.

The murder caused great indignation, and when the negroes were arrested they only escaped lynching by being hurried off by train to jail at Montgomery. In August of that year they were taken back to Union Springs, and each was given a life sentence. The verdict enraged the people so that a mob assembled.

The prisoners were placed on a train to be hurried away to Montgomery again. Near Mitchell station a mob stopped the train, boarded it, and overpowering the officers took the negroes off. It was supposed that they were lynched, and the alleged lynching was denounced not only by American newspapers, but also by the English press.

A London humane society wrote to Governor Jones denouncing the southern people. The governor gave it a scathing reply and offered a reward of $100 for each member of the mob, but no arrests resulted.

The other day Richard Williams was found and rearrested at Highton, Bullock county. He had changed his name, but finally acknowledged his identity. He says he and Walker while handcuffed together, one with a rope about his neck, were pushed off the train, and then the members of the mob sprang off 100 yards farther up the track. Meanwhile the two negroes had scrambled off and run to a ditch near by, where they hid. The mob passed near them, cursing because they could not find them. Later the prisoners went to an old negro's house and got him to cut off their handcuffs with an adze. Then they parted company.

Walker's location is unknown. Williams has since been working at a mill 20 miles from Mitchell.—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

A DEPEW STORY.

The Genial Doctor Tells a New One at the Lotos Club.

Some of the best stories that are told at Lotos club dinners reach only the small audience that gathers in the cafe down stairs after the toasts have been spoken to for a more informal entertainment as a conclusion. To such an audience a few evenings ago Dr. Depew, in speaking of the many requests that he received for passes, said: "A man whom I have not seen since we were boys together called on me this morning and introduced himself. He looked rather seedy, and he told me he wasn't prosperous. We talked about the days when we were boys together, and the little red schoolhouse, and how the years had dealt with each of us. 'I am glad to see you are getting along nicely, Chauncey,' he said. 'Thank you,' I replied. 'And how have you prospered?' 'I have not prospered at all,' he said, wiping a tear from the corner of his eye, 'but I am on the eve of success if you will give me a little aid.' 'What can I do for you?'

"'Well, Chauncey, I want a pass to Wappinger Falls.'

"'What are you going to do there to bring you success?' I asked.

"'I'm going to deliver a lecture. It's a good lecture, and it will bring me fame and money.'

"'And what are you going to lecture about?' I asked.

"'I'll tell you, Chauncey, after I get the pass.'

"I wanted to aid my old friend, and I had a pass made out for him. Giving it to him, I said with some curiosity:

"'Now, John, what is the subject of this lecture of yours?'

"John braced up, threw back his shoulders and proudly answered:

"'I am going to lecture on how to make money.'"—New York Sun.

AGAINST POOLROOMS.

Concerted Movement All Over Alabama to Influence the Legislature.

The most formidable reform movement ever pursued in Alabama is now being waged against pool selling on horse races run in or out of the state. By arrangement preachers in all parts of the state delivered sermons on Jan. 17 on gambling. Mass meetings have been held, and ministers and church deacons delivered addresses on the evils of pool selling on horse races.

In Birmingham three ministers—Jew, Protestant and Catholic—participated. Large congregations were present at all of them, and the addresses were listened to attentively. Collections were taken up with which to keep a lobby at the capitol in order that the antipool bill which has been presented shall not be allowed to die.

The church people of Alabama were never so much wrought up as on this subject. The law which they support is similar to the one in force in New Jersey.

Resolutions were adopted in all the principal counties in the state and will be presented to the representatives, showing the sentiment in favor of the passage of the bill. There are about half a dozen poolrooms in the state.

Prayer Against Lynching.

In his prayer opening the ceremonies of the governor's inauguration at Columbia, S. C., the Rev. Dr. W. E. Evans of Trinity Episcopal church said:

"We especially pray that the form of lawlessness which assumes the right, regardless of authority, to visit punishment upon evildoers, thereby bringing reproach upon the fair name of this historic commonwealth, may disappear from us forever, and as a people may we learn that righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people."

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A Job In Prospect.

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"Oh, yes. You would work, I don't think," said the incredulous citizen.

"Well, I wouldn't mind takin this here job. I hear there is a paper wants 900 men to lie around on their backs and watch fer that flyin machine."—Indianapolis Journal.

January Jingles.

Oh, the summer rose is lobbing
On the airy winter hat,
And for warmth the cabby's jumping
With a will.
While the bulldog is hobnobbing
On the snowdrift with the cat
The toboggan's thomping, bumping,
Down the hill.
Oh, the winter wind is whining
Round the chimney with a vim,
O'er the ice Matilda's tripping
On her toes,
And with eyeballs shining, pining,
See you little skater skim,
While the hide is rudely ripping
From his nose,
From his nose,
While the hide is rudely ripping from his nose.

Oh, the golden corn is popping
With an effervescent bang,
And the merry blazes ripple
On the rug,
And on fairy seas I'm flopping
Like a lithe orang outang,
While I dream about the tipple
In the jug.
There's a Shanghai rooster nestling
On the spinal of the cow,
And the crass little sparrow dirkies
On the pump,
And you little urchin wrestling
With his romping bow-wow-wow
Sees the milkman as he circles
Round the pump,
Round the pump,
Sees the milkman as he circles round the pump.

Pile the logs upon the blazes,
Let them sizzle with a sizz,
While within the chair that's easy
I repose.
Oh, I float through fairy mazes,
Like the berry on the fizz,
When the summer's breezy, greasy
Zephyr blows.
While the wind is weirdly whining
Through my music haunted dreams,
Ring the sleighbells' ding-a-lingleta
On the street.
Oh, the apple jack's combining
With the water now a-steam,
And I'm happy from my ringlets
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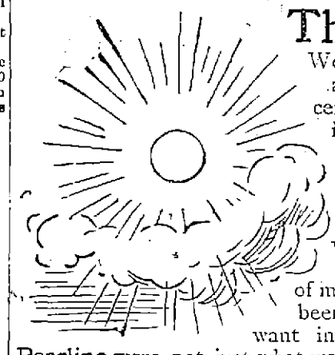
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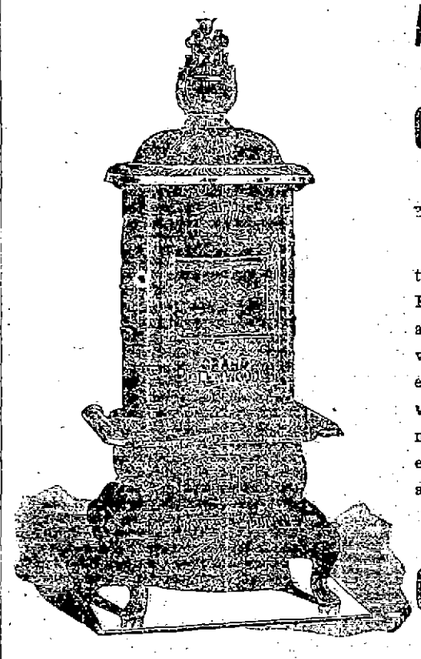
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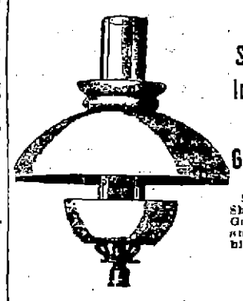
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PRICES FALLING

Dunn's Review of Week Shows Improvement.

THERE IS A LARGER PRODUCTION COMING.

Bradstreets Sees Benefit in Curtailed Output.

New York, Jan. 23.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

There is more business, though not at better prices. It is interesting that almost all prices which change at all are lower than a week ago, and yet business is unquestionably larger. There is larger production, but as yet not as much increase in consumption, and there is a larger buying of materials, but at present only because better prices are expected in the future. A few conspicuous failures during the week have had no material influence. The market for securities is slightly stronger, and yet there is very little doing. The number of hands employed, all industries considered, is slightly larger than a week ago, without adverse change in the rate of wages. All apprehension of foreign disturbances of money markets has passed away, but there is still great caution in making loans. It is a mistake to reckon these as symptoms of depression. On the contrary, in spite of the lower range of prices in important industries, the conditions all indicate larger production and a consumption increasing, not as yet largely, but steadily.

Wheat, corn and cotton exports are the key to the financial situation, and during the past week wheat has declined ¾ cents and corn ⅝ cents, while cotton is unchanged. The price has declined for corn also, although everybody knows that the heavy exports mean relatively more than the exports of wheat. Cotton is unchanged, after ⅛ decline, but the continuing large movement from plantations, and the depression of manufacturing here and abroad, do not encourage high prices. There has been a general reduction in prices of cotton goods, which at present stimulates larger buying.

The woollen industry is as slow as ever, and no real improvement appears in the demand for goods, although, owing to the lateness of the season, there is a little more doing both in spring and in winter goods, without quotable change in prices. The heavy buying of wool mentioned last week has continued, with smaller concerns participating, and is understood to be in anticipation of expected duties, the sales at Boston alone having amounted to 11,856,000 pounds. Quotations have not changed, as yet, although western holders are quite stiff. In boots and shoes the actual shipments from Boston are but 4 per cent less than in January, 1895, and larger than in any other year on record, although there is still the common report that new orders are extremely light. Shops devoted to the making of certain grades of goods are preparing to close, and prices of some grades are a little lower.

The iron industry is engaged in settling relative prices, and the slow operation retards business in many branches, since the future of prices is uncertain. Bessemer pig is a trifle lower at $10.40 at Pittsburg, and grey forge at $9.40, though no further decline has occurred in eastern markets or at Chicago. But the competition of new concerns tempted to manufacture nails by the high prices recently maintained causes slightly lower sales of wire nails at $1.35, and of cut nails at $1.25. The Bar association has been in session to consider the reduction of steel bars to 1 cent, and, in large contracts, even lower, and the billet association has again been called together to meet on the 29th, although there is no prospect of its reorganization, and billets are selling at $15.25 at Pittsburg.

Failures for the week have been 409 in the United States, against 373 last year, and 65 in Canada, against 61 last year.

What Bradstreets Says.

New York, Jan. 23.—Bradstreets today says:

The most encouraging feature of the trade situation this week is the increased demand from manufacturers for wool. The decision of print cloth manufacturers to curtail the output will emphasize recent sales of the heavy surplus stocks, and promises a better market. To these may be added the increase in the volume of domestic bank clearings, a general steadiness of prices and the healthfulness of general trade in almost all departments. Conservatism in granting credits and the preference by retailers and others to buy oftener, but in small quantities, continue to mark the course of business as not before in years. Demand is increasing in almost all lines, with few exceptions, although very slowly. A radical improvement in the near future, based on a slow, but healthful, increased consumptive demand, is, in the absence of unforeseen obstacles, almost a certainty.

Commercial travelers are reported very generally out on the road, yet the volume of business continues small and collections, in many instances, are unsatisfactory. The more active demand is for shoes, hats, groceries, hardware, dry goods and drugs; yet, at such centres as Chicago and St. Louis at the west, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and Boston at the east, business continues along very conservative lines. Memphis, Nashville and Galveston continue their exceptionally favorable reports, as to demand for staples. Pacific coast ports announce unusually heavy orders for merchandise from Alaska and an improving trade with China and Japan.

Total bank clearings aggregate $1,042,000,000 this week, a decrease of ½ of 1 per cent from last week, but an increase of 6 per cent over the third week of January, 1896; 14 per cent as compared with the corresponding week in 1895, and 25 per cent as compared with the like week in 1894. The third week in January, 1893, presented an unusually large bank clearings total, so that this week's figures indicate a falling off of 20 per cent when compared with the former.

Prices appear to include few, if any, that are higher than a week ago, while flour, wheat, corn, lard, crude petroleum, tin, bessemer pig iron and steel billets are lower. Wool remains firm at practically unchanged prices, but is likely to advance, if the present demand continues. Leather is also firm and unchanged, as are lumber, cotton, print cloths, pork, coffee and sugar.

An unusually long list of business embarrassments continues a feature of the state of trade of the week, the total of the past six business days being 425, or 49 less than last week, 88 more than in the week a year ago, 117 more than in the corresponding week of 1896, 91 more than in the third week of January, 1894, and 127 more than in the like week of 1893.

The market for securities at New York is firm in tone, and rallies with ease from professional bear selling. Large interests are generally bullish, but are indisposed to force prices up, and London has been inactive, in spite of the decline in the open market for money and the reduction of the Bank of England rate. Outside participation in the market is somewhat improved. Bonds are more active, the investment demand has grown and government bonds are higher. Foreign exchange is irregular and a little lower at 487¼ for demand sterling.

Exports of wheat (flour included as wheat), from both coasts of the United States this week (St. John, N. B., included) amount to 2,916,706 bushels, as compared with 2,948,000 bushels last week, 3,849,000 bushels in the week a year ago, 2,840,000 bushels in the week two years ago and as compared with 2,531,000 bushels in the like week of 1892. Exports of Indian corn this week amount to 3,520,322 bushels, compared with 3,767,000 bushels last week, 3,192,000 bushels in the week a year ago, 695,000 bushels in the week two years ago, 1,865,000 bushels three years ago, and as compared with 735,000 bushels in the like week of 1893.

Big Sales of Wool.

Boston, Jan. 23.—The Boston Commercial Bulletin says of the wool market:

All previous records are broken by this weeks' enormous sales. The last best record week ended July 28, 1894. The large manufacturers of Rhode Island and Massachusetts, and, in many cases, Boston wool dealers, were the principal buyers.

Purchasing is almost entirely on speculation, many of the buyers having a part of their machinery shut down.

Purchases of scoured wool are particularly large. Americans are rushing forward foreign wools into this country. The demand this week has covered every grade of wool, but medium and fine medium wools have sold more freely than fine.

The sales of the week are 7,907,000 pounds domestic and 3,790,000 pounds foreign, against 5,220,500 pounds domestic and 2,040,000 pounds foreign last week, and 1,392,000 pounds domestic and 2,689,000 pounds foreign for the same week last year.

The sales to date show a decrease of 9,754,000 pounds domestic and 2,020,000 pounds foreign from the sales to the same date in 1896.

Receipts to date show a decrease of 2056 bales domestic and 591 bales foreign.

Advance In Wages Demanded.

Concord, N. H., Jan. 23.—A formal demand for a new price list, to go into force March 4, prepared by the local branch of the Granite Cutters' union, has been presented to the granite manufacturers here. It calls for a 2 per cent increase on all classes of work, and that no cutter shall be paid less than $2.65 per day.

Depositors Hold Daily Meetings.

St. Paul, Jan. 23.—The depositors of the failed Minnesota State Savings bank are holding almost daily meetings to consider various proposals for settlement, and many of them have entered a formal protest against the naming of the father of the president of the failed institution as assignee.

Complied With New Hampshire Laws.

Concord, N. H., Jan. 23.—The United Firemen's Insurance company of Philadelphia, with a capital of $300,000, has been admitted to do business in this state, by direction of the insurance commissioner, it having complied with the New Hampshire laws.

Reform Scheme Perfected.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The reform scheme for the island of Cuba has been perfected by the Spanish government, and its promulgation and application is now a matter of but a few days unless some untoward happening disturbs the program. It will not be announced today, however, as was anticipated in some quarters, from the fact that this is the young king's saint day. While the details of the new scheme are withheld from the public as yet, it is believed that their scope is known to the president and to Secretary Olney, and that in their opinion they embody at least a fair measure of reform principles. At present the effort of the Spanish government is to make sure that the plan is acceptable to all parties in Spain and on the island of Cuba, so as to avoid friction in putting the reforms into effect and to guarantee permanence for the system when once it is adopted.

The promulgation of the plan, it is thought, will be accompanied or closely followed by the announcement of a general amnesty, extending not only to insurgents now in the field, who may under the existing order of General Weyler receive amnesty upon surrender to any Spanish commander, but also to persons imprisoned in Havana and other Cuban towns, and even in Ceuta and other penal settlements, providing that the offenses charged against them are purely political.

Excitement In Parliament.

London, Jan. 23.—Sir Henry Howorth, Conservative member for the south division of Salford, created a sensation in the house of commons last night by moving an amendment censuring the government for releasing the Irish prisoners convicted of dynamiting. Sir Henry is a Tory, and is master of a biting style of oratory. He spoke of "star chamber," "secret decisions," and used other unpleasant phrases, and also suggested that the dynamiters were shamming madness. Mr. Balfour, the government leader, rose in a white heat, his voice trembling with passion and indignation, as he vehemently repudiated Sir Henry's insinuations, which he declared meant that he himself and his colleagues were unworthy to lead the party.

Granite State Press Association.

Manchester, N. H., Jan. 23.—At the annual meeting of the New Hampshire Press association in this city yesterday, the following officers were elected: President, Colonel Arthur Clarke, Manchester; vice presidents, O. H. A. Chamberlin, Manchester; Howard F. Hill, Concord; W. H. Topping, Manchester; recording secretary, W. Bourlet, Concord; corresponding secretary, S. C. Gould, Manchester; treasurer, Thomas W. Lane, Manchester; executive committee, Hon. William Clark, Manchester; John M. Hill, Concord; Hon. Henry Putney, Manchester; auditors, Edson C. Eastman, Concord; James M. Adams, Nashua. Edward S. Pearson of Concord and O. F. Livingston of Manchester were appointed as delegates to attend the next meeting of the National Press association.

AYER'S HAIR VIGOR PRESERVES THE Natural Color of the Hair

THE BRAM TRIAL

Arguments Begun on Motion for New Trial.

THE POINTS RAISED BY THE DEFENCE.

Judge, Jury and Prosecution Criticized.

Boston, Jan. 23.—The third day of the hearing of argument and evidence on the petition by Bram's counsel for a new trial ended seemingly without material change in the situation.

One of the most important points developed by the morning testimony was thought to be the admission obtained by Mr. Cotter from Abel C. Ford of Hyde Park, another of the jurors in the trial; to the effect that, prior to his being drawn on the jury, he had held a conversation with Sylvanus B. Coffin, concerning the Herbert Fuller murders, during which he (the witness) said: "I think they have got the right man now," referring to the defendant Bram.

Oliver J. Briggs, the juror against whom Mr. Cotter has been directing the most powerful guns in his battery, was also put upon the stand yesterday morning. The fact that he had found a newspaper one evening during the trial in the elevator, as the jury were leaving the federal building, put it in his pocket and took it down to the Quincy house to the quarters occupied by the jury, seemed to be the most important evidence elicited from him.

He denied having read the paper, or having been at all separated from the other members of the jury while the paper was in his possession; a period of about 15 minutes.

These two witnesses had been called by the district attorney, and were the only ones to give testimony on the government side.

Mr. Cotter explained that the new witnesses whom he had hoped to secure turned out, on investigation, to be two men who had already been subpoenaed and had given their evidence.

Mr. Cotter then recalled Foreman Jack, but the court refused to allow the questions put to him, which had reference to the "Free Mason" episode, and to the expression imputed to Juror Briggs that he would like to assist at Bram's execution.

Daniel W. Bond was also recalled, and repeated his testimony, the court declining to permit Mr. Cotter to examine the witness on anything outside of the testimony he gave previously.

Mr. Cotter announced that that closed the case in support of the motion.

Lawyer French objected to the admission of any evidence on the part of the government, but the court ruled against him.

Mr. Ford denied that he had said to Sylvanus B. Coffin, or in his presence, that Bram ought to be hanged.

Mr. Cotter asked the witness if he had not spoken to Frank Radford, in presence of Mr. Coffin, that he believed Bram guilty, and he answered that he had no recollection of having done so.

He admitted, however, that he had expressed an opinion to some one of his shopmates in regard to the case in advance of the trial.

Mr. French, for Bram, consumed the afternoon arguing for a new trial. He criticised the action of the jury, which, he said, vitiated the verdict, and also criticised Judge Webb's rulings and District Attorney Hoar's argument before the case was given to the jury.

District Attorney Hoar will argue against a new trial today.

Settlement of Union Pacific Debt.

New York, Jan. 23.—Announcement is made by the Union Pacific reorganization committee that it has come to an agreement with the government, in accordance with which the latter has begun foreclosure proceedings of its lien upon the Union Pacific lines, inclusive of the Kansas Pacific lines. The reorganization committee guarantees a minimum bid of something over $45,000,000 for the government's claim upon the railroad, and for the government Union Pacific sinking fund, and has deposited $4,500,000 as earnest money. Kuhn, Loeb & Co., bankers, for the reorganization committee, have assured to the committee the funds required to carry its agreement with the government into effect.

Biggest Bicyclist.

Hinsdale, N. H., Jan. 23.—Robert W. Blanchard, the "boy giant" of this town, has contracted to ride at bicycle race meets the coming season, under patronage of a wheel concern. Blanchard is 16 years old, stands 6 feet and 2 inches in his stockings and tips the balances at 400 pounds. He claims to be the champion big boy of his age in the country. He played centre rush for a football team here last season, and proved a substantial man in that position.

Dutcher Murder Case.

St. John, N. B., Jan. 23.—In the Dutcher murder trial, John F. Sullivan, the prisoner, went on the stand in his own behalf. According to his testimony, Sullivan was not in the locality anywhere near the time of the murder. In cross-examination, in reply to a question, he declared: "As God is my judge, I never molested the Dutchers in my life."

Columbia In It.

New York, Jan. 23.—The alumni and undergraduates of Columbia college held an enthusiastic meeting yesterday and adopted a resolution to the effect that the Columbia should be represented by a crew in the triangular race to be held at Poughkeepsie, in which crews from Cornell, Pennsylvania and Harvard will compete.

Assaulted by Masked Man.

Williamsport, Pa., Jan. 23.—Miss Stevens, a school teacher at Cherry Hill, was the victim of a fiendish assault by a masked man Thursday, and as a consequence is in a critical condition. The assault took place in the schoolroom, just after the scholars had been dismissed for the day. The villain made his escape.

Miss McKinley Injured.

Canton, O., Jan. 23.—Miss Helen McKinley, the president-elect's sister, slipped and fell on the icy sidewalk, near the McKinley home, yesterday. One of the bones in her right wrist was broken.

Dixon Defeats Murphy.

New York, Jan. 23.—George Dixon, the well-known colored pugilist of Boston, defeated Billy Murphy of Cincinnati in six rounds last night at the Broadway Athletic club.

At Work Again.

A few applications of Salvation Oil will readily cure sprains and bruises, and heal cuts, burns and scalds. It is undoubtedly the best pain-cure on the market, and should be, ready for use, in every home in the land. Mr. Frank Stubenhaver 1337 Elm St., Dubuque, Iowa, states: "I used Salvation Oil on a sprained elbow, which threatened to prevent me from working, and after several thorough rubbings, I awoke the very next morning much relieved and able to go to work. Had I not used Salvation Oil I certainly would have lost a week's work, which would have amounted to many times the cost of a bottle of Oil. Everybody should keep Salvation Oil in the house." It is sold everywhere for only 25 cents.

FROM OUR 5 O'CLOCK EDITION Of Yesterday.

TWO MURDERERS

To Be Electrocuted in New York.

ONE KILLED HIS WIFE, THE OTHER A MAN.

Lowell Men Arrested in Manchester for Burglary.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

New York, Jan. 22.—Howard Scott, colored, who murdered his wife, was today sentenced to be electrocuted during the week of March 15. Arthur Mayhew, colored, the murderer of Stephen Powell, was sentenced to die during the week of March 7.

THE BRAM CASE.

Defence Finished Today—Juror Ford Offers Testimony.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Jan. 22.—The testimony in the defence for a new trial in the Bram case was finished this morning. For the government, Juror Ford denied that he ever said Bram ought to be hanged, but admitted that he said before the trial that they had not the right man.

ALARM FROM BOMBAY.

At the Threatened Spread of the Plague.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Calcutta, Jan. 22.—The government has ordered a stoppage of the pilgrim traffic from Bombay and Karachi on account of the plague, after Feb. 22. The exodus continues. In Karachi there have been five hundred and fifty cases and five hundred deaths. The daily mortality in Bombay is two hundred and fifty.

A DEPOSED PRIEST

Brings Suit Against a Bishop in Milwaukee.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Milwaukee, Jan. 22.—Father Hellstern, a deposed priest has filed a suit for slander against Archbishop Katzer of the diocese of Milwaukee. The proceeding is without precedence. Father Matthelll instructed him to withdraw the suit. The case will be heard tomorrow.

Schaefer Hurt.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

St. Louis, Jan. 22.—Jacob Schaefer, an expert billiard player, will probably have to give up playing on account of his wrist. The bones were broken in his wrist and the wrong ones knit together. He has sued the railroad for one hundred thousand dollars damages for injuries received in an accident.

Railroad Man Killed.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

New Bedford, Jan. 22.—Walter R. Pierce, a fireman on the Old Colony railroad, stepped from an engine in front of another train and was run over, mangled and killed this morning. He was married only three months.

Private Detective Sentenced.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

New York, Jan. 22.—Edward Tompkins, a private detective, was sentenced to fifteen months. He was associated with a gang through whom conductors obtained bogus coins and passed to patrons.

A Building of Silver.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Chicago, Jan. 22.—Plans have been accepted for the silver palace at the trans-Mississippi exposition in Omaha in 1898. It will be 400 feet square with mammoth towers, and the entire building will be covered with rolled silver.

Committed Suicide.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Madison, Wis., Jan. 22.—John Dowd, while despondent as a result of drink and the loss of his position as instructor in the university of Wisconsin, suicided today by taking laudanum.

Highwaymen Arrested.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

New York, Jan. 22.—Jacob Dicker, John Murphy and Martin Davidson were arrested for a bold holdup of Banker Henry Pincos. They threatened him with a pistol.

Twenty Persons Drowned.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

London, Jan. 22.—The British steamer Salisbury collided with an unknown steamer off Ilfracombe. The latter sank and twenty were drowned.

Situation Improved.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Pascoag, R. I., Jan. 22.—The industrial situation is improved and the woolen mills are starting up. Hundreds will be given work.

To Abolish Whipping Post.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Dover, Del., Jan. 22.—Mr. Alrichs introduced a bill to abolish the whipping post and pillory in Delaware.

Prominent Cardinal Dead.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Rome, Jan. 22.—Cardinal Angelo Bian, pro datary of the pope, is dead.

A CRIMINAL ARRESTED.

He Applied for Admission to Tewksbury Almshouse—His Record.

Because Alonzo N. Thayer of Port Huron, Mich., could not explain how he came into possession of a sandbag, a canvas bag, which at one time held $500, a cipher message, a letter headed "Friend in the Dark," around which there is much mystery, and a newspaper clipping offering $2000 reward for a man answering his description in every detail, when he applied for admission at the Tewksbury almshouse, he was turned over to Chief Watts of the Bureau of Criminal Investigation as a suspicious person on Wednesday evening.

Yesterday morning he was complained of as a vagrant in the municipal court, Boston. He pleaded guilty to the charge and seemed pleased when the judge sentenced him to imprisonment at Deer island for 30 days. The police complained of him as a vagrant because they want an opportunity to look into his record. Up to the present time his past is a mystery. He has declined to talk about it and the police call him "a man of mystery."

ISAAC PITMAN.

The Inventor of Shorthand is Dead in London.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

London, Jan. 22.—Sir Isaac Pitman, inventor of the shorthand system, is dead. He was a benefactor of his age.

LAWRENCE POLITICS.

Hearing in Court Case On City Clerk Case.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Jan. 22.—Judge Barker gave a hearing today on the petition of J. J. Carey against Mayor Junkins and officials of the Lawrence to approve the bond he has offered for the performance of the duty of city clerk. The cases are to decide also whether he was legally elected city clerk.

LOWELL MEN ARRESTED.

Charged With Stealing In Manchester, N. H.

Edward Reynolds of Lowell, aged 29, was arrested on Central street, Manchester, Thursday morning by Officers O'Dowd and Lovejoy charged with breaking and entering. Later in the day John A. Cronin of Lowell was arrested by O'Dowd and locked up upon suspicion. Cronin has been rooming with Reynolds for several days.

COMMUNICATION.

Mr. Editor:—Please solve the following problem to decide a bet and oblige, yours respectfully; A. B. C.

Divide $70 so that A's share will be 3-8 of B's share, and C's share 2-9 of A's.

If B's share is represented by 8 A's will be 3, and C's 2-3. Accordingly A gets $18, B $48, and C $4.

Case Heard February 1.

The date of the hearing in the Supreme court of the city charter test case has been decided upon as Feb. 1.

Rhodes in England.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Plymouth, Eng., Jan. 22.—Mr. Cecil Rhodes arrived today from South Africa. He returned to be present at the parliamentary investigation of the Transvaal raid.

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Does it hurt the ears when you blow your nose?
Does your nose discharge continually?
Do you snore at night?
Is there a pain between your shoulders?
Do you hawk to clear the throat?
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Is the throat dry in the morning?
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Lowell people are beginning to find out. Frank Phillips, who keeps a small confectionery store at 490 Market street, says: "I have had the catarrh for years, suffering at times with a severe pain in my head, ringing in my ears, sneezing, hawking, spitting and often gagging, especially in the morning, which sometimes caused me to loose my breakfast. The dropping in my throat was also very disagreeable. I obtained a bottle of California Catarrh Cure at Ellingwood & Co's. pharmacy and find that it is helping me very much. My head has not felt as clear for months, and I haven't had the headache since I commenced using C. C. C., while the dropping in my throat has stopped. I am glad to express my belief in its virtue and merit, and anyone suffering from catarrh in any form will make no mistake in using this wonderful remedy."

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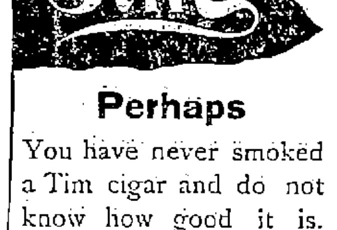
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WANTED—500 young and old men to bring their old clothes to Fred F. Lew's Dye house and Clothes Cleaning establishment at 477 Merrimack street, where he can make your old suit as good as new for a small sum.

FOR SALE—On Nashua road a good farm of 20 acres, lots of fruit, good two tenement house, good barn. This is a good chance if you want to get you a home. Price $2000. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

LADIES, my monthly regulator has brought happiness to hundreds of anxious women. I have never had a single failure; no other doctor can say this. Longest cases relieved in 2 to 5 days without fail; no pain, no danger, no interference with work; price $2; by mail or at office; consultation free; all letters truthfully answered. DR. TOLMAN, 170 Tremont street, Boston.

The Woman's Friend—Lydia Pinkham's Compound, sold at Goodale's Drug Store, 217 Central street.

Boston and Maine Railroad

Winter Arrangement.

WESTERN DIVISION.

Corrected to Oct. 4, 1896.

TRAINS LEAVE MIDDLESEX STREET DEPOT, LOWELL.

For Boston, at 6.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 12.45, 2.30, 3.40, 3.20, 4.05, 5.10, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m., 12.05, 4.15, 5.30, 7.25 p. m.
For Lawrence, 6.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.40, 4.05, 5.10, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30, †11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m., 12.05, 5.30, 7.25 p. m.
For Haverhill, 6.30, 6.50, 8.30, 9.25 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.40, 4.05, 5.10, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30, †11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m., 12.05, 5.30, 7.25 p. m.
For Salem and Lynn, 12.05, 5.10 p. m.
For Newburyport and Amesbury, 6.30 a. m. 12.05, 2.30, 4.05, 6.15 p. m.
For Exeter and Dover, 6.50, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.40, 4.05, 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.
For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 4.05 p. m.
For Somersworth, N. H., Salmon Falls, Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.50, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 4.05, 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.
For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.
For Lewiston, 8.30 a. m; 12.05, 5.10 p. m.
For Bangor, Belfast, and way stations, 8.30 a. m., 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.
For Skowhegan and Rockland, 8.30 a. m.
For St. John, N. B., Halifax, N. S., and the Provinces, 5.10 p. m., except Saturday. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.
For Montreal and Quebec, 8.30 a. m., 5.10 p. m. (5.10 does not run Saturdays); SUNDAY, 5.30 p. m.
For Eastport and St. John (per steamer), on Mondays, 12.05 p. m.
For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport and Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones, from Rockland), last trip for season, Dec. 25, '96.
(Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

Southern Division.

On and After Oct. 4, 1896, Trains Leave Merrimack Street Depot, Lowell, as Follows:

For Boston, 5.45, 6.30, 6.50, *7.45, *8.50, 9.00, *9.40, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 3.00, 4.25, 5.35 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.
Trains Leave Middlesex Street Station, Lowell, as follows:
For Boston, 5.49, 6.33, 6.57, 7.01, 7.18, *7.27, 7.33, *7.48, *8.57, 9.03, *9.50, 11.03, 11.42 a. m. 12.16, 1.43, 3.03, *3.55, 4.03, 4.28, 5.22, 6.28, 6.21, 7.51 p. m. SUNDAYS, *7.16, *7.27, 8.48, *9.19 a. m.; 4.25, 5.53 p. m.
For Woburn, 6.30, 7.01, 7.23, 7.45, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.28, p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m., 4.25, 5.53 p. m.
*Express. †Via Bedford.
For Lawrence, 6.30, 10.00 a. m.; 4.15 p. m.
For Salem, and Way Stations, 7.33 a. m.; 1.28, 5.53 p. m.
For Ayer Junction, and Way Stations, 7.10 a. m.; 12.02, 5.00 and 5.52 p. m. SUNDAYS 2.15 p. m.
For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.13 a. m.; 1.00, 3.43, 5.40 p. m. SUNDAYS 2 p. m.
For Greenfield, Peterboro', Bennington, Hillsboro', and Keene, 9.13 a. m. and 3.43 p. m. SUNDAYS, to Greenfield, 2.00 p. m.
For Nashua, Manchester, and Concord, 7.40, 9.13, 9.49, 10.00 a. m.; 12.09, 1.00, 1.45, 3.43, 5.40, 6.17, 8.13, 8.40 p. m. SUNDAYS 10.00 a. m.; (to Nashua only) 3.08 p. m., 2.00, 6.02, 8.12, 8.40 p. m.
For Franklin, Lebanon and White River Junction, 9.13, 9.40 a. m.; 12.09, 1.40 (to Franklin only), 5.40, †8.13 p. m.
For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.), Claremont and Claremont Junction—7.40, 9.13 a. m.; 1.40 p. m.
For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville via Wells River—9.40 a. m.; 1.40, †8.40 p. m.
For Montpelier, Montreal, Essex Junction, Burlington and St. Albans, via Central Vermont line—9.40 a. m.; 12.09, †8.13 p. m.
For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air Line—9.40 a. m.; †8.40 p. m.
Quebec Express via Plymouth and Sherbrooke—1.40, 8.40 p. m., daily except Sunday.
† Daily for Montreal.

D. J. FLANDERS, Gen. Passenger and Ticket Agent.
H. C. TAFT, General Agent, Lowell.

2 WONDERS

LADIES' SKATING BOOTS,

Former price $2.50,

Wonder price $1.50.

LADIES' WOOL ALASKA,

Boston Shoe Rubber Co.'s Make,

Regular price $1.00

Wonder price 75c.

EAGLE SHOE STORE

216 DUTTON STREET.

J. J. LONERGAN, Prop.

Paine's Celery Compound, and all other Patent Medicines, at Lowest Prices, at Goodale's Low Priced Drug Store, 217 Central street.

THE WEATHER.

Sun rises—7:06; sets, 4:48.
Length of day—9h. 42m.
Moon rises—10:41 p. m.
Full sea—2:15 a. m., 2:45 p. m.

Forecast for New England: Light total snows, followed by partly cloudy weather; winds shifting to westerly, becoming brisk and high; decidedly colder tonight.

LOCAL NEWS.

Always wins, Old Hundred.

T. C. Lee, fire insurance, Donovan bl'd.

Elegant rubber tired hacks at O'Donnell's, Jefferson street. Telephone 429-9.

American Social Forces will be discussed at the Unity Guild, Church street, tomorrow evening.

Purchasing Agent Barnard intends to call for bids on 200 ton six inch cast iron pipe and 150 barrels of flour.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fox of Rock street were presented a Brussels carpet by a party of their friends last night.

If your coal does not suit you, try Mullin, the 1018 Gorham street coal dealer. You can get him by telephone connection.

Hathorn water universally admitted to be the finest cathartic and alterative on the market. John M. Pevey, 55 and 57 Middle street, sole agent.

The Scotch people are to have a rich and rare treat Wednesday evening at Associate hall, there will be a literary program and the subject will be Robert Burns, the people's poet. See ad in this paper.

Buy good clean Coal. D. W. Horne & Son, 15 Central street.

BOWLING NEWS.

The Big Five defeated the police in the city tournament last night 2238 to 2200, and the Swift & Bailey's won from the Merrimack's, 2202 to 2190.

In the Vesper tournament Team Nine won from Team Six, 2092 to 2027.

B. B. C. DANCE.

125 Couples Enjoyed Themselves in Highland Hall.

It was a merry party the B. B. C. held in Highland hall last evening and 125 couple enjoyed in the enticing dance. From 8 to 9 o'clock there was a concert and following this came the grand march, led by John Mellen and Miss Clara Whitworth, Edwin F. Nolin and Miss Gertrude Lefevre, Frank Reeves and Miss Maria Trudeu, Arthur Dery and Miss Rose Diatte.

The officers: general manager, Frank Reeves; assistant general manager Arthur Dery; treasurer, Edwin F. Nolin; floor director, John J. Mellen; assistant floor director, Sylva Charron; aids, Joseph Damerais, Arthur Baldwin, George Rancour, Henry Gaudette, P. Hannigan

HIGH SCHOOL SOLDIERS

Held Their Annual Party in Highland Club Hall Last Night.

The annual party of the officers of the Rowell High School regiment was held in the hall of the Highland club last evening and about 60 couples enjoyed it, including many military men. The hall was simply but prettily decorated in the national colors.

Hibbard's orchestra furnished music for dancing and an order of 20 numbers was enjoyed, the dance continuing until 1 o'clock.

The march was led by Cadet Col. James F. Monaghan and Miss Mary Phelan, who were followed by Regimental Adjutant F. J. Libbey and Miss Harriet Richardson.

The matrons of the evening were Mrs. S. W. Thurlow, Mrs. J. F. Monaghan, Miss Susie L. D. Watson and Mrs. C. E. Paige, Col. Monaghan was floor manager, and he was assisted by the following corps of aids:

Maj. Coburn of the 1st Battalion, Capt. Spear of Co. B, Capt. Caverly of Co. D, Capt. Gray of Co. F, Capt. Thurlow of Co. A, Capt. Mitten of Co. C, Capt. Waugh of Co. E, Lieut. Phelan of Co. A and Lieut. Howarth of Co. B.

Among those present from out of town were Captain Keene of Lynn, Captain Nutter of Chelsea, Lieutenant Witherell, Captain Lomes, Major Proctor, Adjutant Brunell and Captain Rowe of Gloucester, Cadet Engineer J. H. Meehan of the American liner New York, Major Merrill of Lynn and Private J. A. Reardon, U. S. N., Captain Greig of Co. C, Mechanic Phalanx, the regimental instructor, represented the local military companies.

THEATRICAL NEWS.

Savoy Theatre.

Tonight and this afternoon will be the last chances to see the great double bill now being presented, and all who have not seen it, should go today. Mr. Weston in the curtain raiser, "One Touch of Nature," gives one of his greatest performances, and his friends should endeavor to witness it. The comedy of "Snowball" is a great laughmaker, and keeps the audiences in a roar, till it is finished. The two plays make a fine bill and a very entertaining performance. Next week the management have secured a great treat for their patrons, and that is the reappearance of the great favorite Miss Rose Stahl, who has kindly consented to play a two weeks' engagement. The coming week she will play "Pauline" in the "The Lady of Lyons," and all her old friends will be present to give her a royal welcome.

Music Hall.

The big burlesque company at Music hall will give its last performance this afternoon and evening. The attendance has been immense and tonight it is expected standing room will be at a premium, so funny are the burlesquers.

Tomorrow evening the show by Prof. Barral on *Spiritualism* will attract a full house. Last Sunday 900 people had bought seats in advance, and tomorrow the number will be limited only by the size of the house. The professor will be assisted by a company and a program of sacred music will be given.

Manager Boody of Music hall takes pleasure in announcing Fred Rider's new Night Owl Burlesquers as his attraction for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 25, 26 and 27. This sterling attraction of merit has met with instant success everywhere and presents the best burlesque and vaudeville talent in America in a pleasing burlesque satire, entitled "A Pack of Cards." Gorgeous scenic and spectacular effects abound in plenty, while the pretty girls are costumed in magnificent splendor.

Les Miserables bowling alleys and billiard hall now open. East Merrimack street.

Sugar. Sugar. Sugar.

22 pounds of the best granulated sugar for $1. Delivered free to our tea and coffee customers. Dickson Bros., the big tea dealers, 53 Merrimack Street.

Dr. Colburn DENTIST 91 Merrimack ST

FIRE INSURANCE

Beyond the Value of Property Responsible

FOR MANY OF THE INCENDIARY FIRES.

Companies Should be Held Partly Responsible.

Fortunately incendiaries do not commit crimes ordinarily for the pleasure of seeing things burn. Their criminal instincts have first to be incited by considerations of gain, and if not so incited remain latent and innocuous. Incendiarism for the insurance is merely a phase of the same criminal instinct which promotes robbery, burglary and trusts. If it were not for insurance there would be no such incendiarism. Indeed if it were not for over-insurance there would be no such incendiarism.

Are the insurance companies, then, free from complicity? Are they and their practices not responsible for the circumstance that the fire loss of New York city in proportion to the population is greater than that of any European city by at least fourfold? If these companies refused to place $5000 policies on $500 stocks, then $500 stocks would not be burned in order to secure the proceeds of $5000 policies. Why would it not be a good idea to compel them to more closely estimate the values of property to be insured before the insurance is placed? Why would it not be a good idea to punish them by forfeiting the excess to the state in every case of over-insurance.

In France they deal with this subject by refusing to permit insurance to be in force as to fires which start on the premises. This would hardly do for America, where the benefits of fire insurance are so appreciated; but it would do to limit the amount that any man could recover to not more than three-fourths of the cash value of his property, to be determined by a jury of three or six, and only then provided the jury finds the fire was not incendiary. Will the companies favor and support such a measure?

Meanwhile, if we do not have a fire marshal or a system of juries to decide the causes of fires and the value of the property destroyed, and if the companies continue, as at present, to write policies for any amount without taking steps to ascertain that the property is worth that amount, how can we escape the conclusion that companies which do these things and which could, but do not, obtain legislation such as we have outlined for the protection of the public against the abuses of insurance, are themselves in every instance accomplices in incendiarism before the fact?

What is true of New York is true of Lowell and of all other American cities in regard to the relation between over insurance and incendiary fires.

THE 81ST ANNIVERSARY

OF THE FOUNDATION OF THE OBLATE ORDER.

Will Be Observed Monday—Rev. James McGrath, O. M. I., Visiting in Lowell—Charity Festival Netted $600—Rev. Fr. O'Riordan, O. M. I., is No Better—Rev. Fr. Dacey, O. M. I., in Buffalo.

Monday will be the eighty-first anniversary of the foundation of the order of Mary Immaculate or Oblate order. The great event will be quietly observed by the priests of the Immaculate Conception, Sacred Heart, St. Joseph's and St. Jean Baptiste churches.

Rev. James McGrath, O. M. I., of the Holy Angels church, Buffalo, N. Y., is spending a few days at the Immaculate Conception parochial residence in this city. He will preach the sermon at the Immaculate Conception church tomorrow morning. Fr. McGrath was formerly pastor of the Immaculate Conception church and was also provincial of the Oblate order, his successor being the present provincial Very Rev. Fr. Guillard, O. M. I.

Tomorrow will be the feast of the Holy Family.

Rev. F. O'Roirdan, O. M. I., is still ill at St. John's hospital and shows no signs of any great improvement.

Rev. William D. Joyce, O. M. I., attended the funeral of the late Rev. Michael Oates, C. S. S. R., in Roxbury this morning. The funeral service was held in the Mission church.

The festival conducted by the Ladies' Aid society of the Immaculate Conception church netted the organization about $600. Rev. Fr. Joyce, O. M. I., and the ladies of the society feel gratified at the fine result and desire to thank all those who assisted in making the festival a success.

Rev. Fr. Reynolds, O. M. I., has been formally installed as spiritual director and treasurer of the Y. M. C. I.

Rev. Fr. Dacey, O. M. I., is now well settled in Buffalo, N. Y., and writes that he likes the place very well. He will visit Lowell about July.

The Carnation carnival of the Catholic Lyceum will be held in Huntington hall next Thursday evening.

MEETING

To Advocate Municipal Ownership of Electric Plants.

There will be a meeting in Jackson hall Wednesday evening, Jan. 27, at 8 o'clock sharp, of all voters who are in favor of the city of Lowell constructing or purchasing electric and gas light plants in this city, and having the profits therefrom reduce th taxes and burdens of the people.

Statue of Butler.

In the House yesterday Mr. Hayes of this city had taken from last year's files the resolve appropriating $50,000 for a statue of General Butler. It was referred to the committee on military affairs.

Beecham's pills for constipation 10¢ and 25¢. Get the book at your druggist's and go by it.

Annual sales more than 6,000,000 boxes.

Castoria and all patent medicines at lowest prices at Goodale's Drug Store, 217 Central street.

URY OF CURES

THE RECORD OF

Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

WANT TO BE TEACHERS

FORTY-FOUR LADIES TAKE THE EXAMINATION.

Different Arrangement of Seats—Class Divided in Two Sections—No Chance to "Cheat"—Probably Ten Will be Admitted to the Training School—Little Chance to Get Schools.

At the High school yesterday afternoon forty-four young ladies took the examination for entrance to the training school.

Some of them desire to teach in the kindergarten school while the majority want a training as regular teachers. Of those who took the examination half a dozen tried before, two others are Carney medal scholars and several are evening school teachers.

The studies taken up yesterday were arithmetic and music. The former was written while the latter was both written and oral. Dr. Rix was present and conducted the oral examination in music and the written examination consisted of a set of ten questions prepared by the supervisor of music.

Today the young ladies are being examined in grammar, history, writing, spelling, drawing and geography. The class is so large that it was deemed advisable to divide it and accordingly 25 sat in one room while 19 went into another class room.

The young ladies occupied alternate seats. This arrangement was brought about by the rumors of "cheating" that were circulated after the last examination. Some of those who were "left" made a general charge of "cheating" but were careful not to specify any particular young lady or ladies. These stories reached Supt. Whitcomb and he decided to take steps that would not admit of such a report being circulated again.

The examination this year is being conducted by Supt. Whitcomb, Truant Commissioner Williams and F. E. Woodward of the High school corps of teachers. The papers on music will be corrected by Dr. Rix, the penmanship papers by Thomas M. Graves, and those on drawing by Miss Underhill. All other papers will be corrected by Supt. Whitcomb.

The committee on teachers will meet probably Tuesday evening to decide on the admission rank.

Supt. Whitcomb said yesterday: "I do not think that more than ten pupils can be accommodated at the training school. And that will be a pretty large class. At the present rate it will be a great while before some of the young ladies become regular teachers, for while we are admitting and training twenty pupil teachers a year, the average number of vacancies is only about four a year. The last class that entered the training school I am told, is "doing remarkably well."

MATRIMONIAL.

On Wednesday evening last, at 7.30 o'clock, a very pretty wedding occurred at the parochial residence of the Immaculate Conception church, when Mr. Joseph Brady, a popular member of the Y. M. C. L. I. of Centralville, was united in marriage to Miss Georgiana E. Boyers, a popular young lady of Centralville. Rev. Fr. Reynolds was the officiating clergyman. Miss Catharine Duffy attended the bride, and Mr. Stephen Dempsey acted in a like capacity for the groom. A reception was afterwards held at the residence of Mrs. Duffy, 32 Keene street. The young couple were the recipients of numerous presents.

McKinley-Donovan.

Chairman James McKinley of the overseers of the poor was married recently to Miss Emma B. Donovan at the home of the bride in Craftsbury, Vt. They will reside on the Meadow Road.

Fr. Forget Can Not Return.

Petitions asking for the return of Rev. D. N. Forget, O. M. I., to this city were forwarded to the superior of the Oblate order in Paris. Answer was received saying it will hardly be possible for him to return.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

The 33d annual diner of the Dartmouth College association of New York was held at the Waldorf last night.

George W. Paul of Newfields, N. H., has been appointed county commissioner, vice Charles P. Griffin, deceased.

There is no truth in the report that Comptroller of the Currency Eckels will accept the presidency of a Chicago trust company in process of formation.

Four men who attempted to rob Henry Pinkus' bank in New York were taken to state prison today, having been indicted, tried and sentenced in less than 24 hours.

The Hockanum Woolen company of Rockville, Conn., has shipped to Canton, O., a piece of worsted goods, to be used in President-elect McKinley's inaugural suit.

Fred Rouffeau, aged 12 years, and a companion named LeChance, broke through the ice while skating at Fall River, Mass. The latter was rescued, but Rouffeau was drowned.

The report of the treasurer of the county of Rockingham, N. H., for the year just closed, shows the receipts to have been $125,711.34; disbursements, $117,662.83. The net indebtedness of the county is $179,451.49.

Twenty prominent Philadelphians, who look upon the pending arbitration treaty with Great Britain as a highly desirable diplomatic agreement between that nation and this, will join in a formal memorial to the United States senate in a few days.

The United States circuit court of appeals has affirmed the decree appointing C. U. Bell receiver of the Lake National bank of Wolfboro, N. H., and granting a mandamus to persons having possession of the bank's property to turn it over to the receiver.

The annual reunion and dinner of the Massachusetts Agricultural College Alumni club of Massachusetts was held in Boston last night. The following officers were elected: President, C. L. Flint; secretary, H. N. Legate; treasurer, W. S. Leland; directors, Dr. J. A. Cutter, J. E. Lindsay and R. S. Jones.

TROUBLE IN LYNN

A Woman Caught in Man's Room

BY HER HUSBAND AND A DETECTIVE.

The Wife of Mr. Jones a Shoe Manufacturer.

Lynn, Jan. 23.—Mrs. A. H. Jones, wife of the well known shoe manufacturer, was arrested last night, in company with C. J. Witheraux, a traveling salesman. They were arrested in Witheraux' room at a hotel. Mr. Jones employed a detective to watch his wife, and she was seen to enter her paramour's room. The detective informed Jones that his wife was in Witheraux' room, and it was decided to break in the door. Jones secured the assistance of his brother, Valorous K., and in company with the officer and an assistant, broke in the door. They say they found Witheraux and Mrs. Jones in a compromising position.

In the police station Mrs. Jones became hysterical and fainted. There Witheraux and Mrs. Jones declared that they are innocent of any wrong-doing, and that their arrest is part of a conspiracy on the part of the husband, who wishes to secure a divorce. They were bailed out by Michael R. Connolly, a broker.

The case will be called in court this morning, when Mrs. Jones and Witheraux will be arraigned for adultery.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones have been married about 10 years, she being his second wife. They have no children. Their troubles have been a constant topic of sub rosa discussion in Lynn for a long time past, and the culmination is the talk of the city. A long and bitter legal fight is anticipated.

Up to within a short time they lived on Broad street, a fashionable part of the city. Their giving up housekeeping caused a small world of comment.

It is said in police circles that Witheraux hails from Providence, and there are hints of recent trips to that city that may figure in the case.

Reform Club Meets.

Boston, Jan. 23.—The Massachusetts Reform club, at its regular monthly meeting last night, discussed the Cuban question, Hon. Perry Belmont of New York, Professor Vane of Harvard and John E. Russell of Leicester being the principal speakers. The club adopted resolutions urging upon the Massachusetts senators and representatives the necessity of a speedy passage of the Anglo-American arbitration treaty. The club also adopted a resolution condemning the proposed change in the state ballot.

Shoe Manufacturers Protest.

Boston, Jan. 23.—A number of shoe manufacturers of the state have signed a petition to the legislature remonstrating against any appropriation that will tend to the extension of the present work in the manufacture of boots and shoes in the Massachusetts state prison or any other state institution. The prison commissioners have asked for the appropriation this year of $325,000 for the maintenance of the industry at the state prison, and $50,000 for the same use at the reformatory at Concord.

Famine In Rhodesia.

London, Jan. 23.—A Cape Town dispatch says that reports have been received there that famine exists in Rhodesia. Thousands of terribly emaciated native women besiege the native office at Buluwayo, clamoring piteously for food. The natives are flocking to Buluwayo and exhuming the carcasses of cattle which died from rinderpest, and which were buried six months ago. They devour these, and, as consequence, a terrible mortality prevails among them.

Lynn's "Seeleyites" Fined.

Lynn, Jan. 23.—The four young men who arranged the recent exhibition at which colored women were the chief attraction were fined $225 yesterday by Judge Berry.

New Revenue Cutter Launched.

Boston, Jan. 23.—The new revenue cutter Daniel Manning was successfully launched from the yard of the Atlantic works, East Boston, yesterday afternoon.

Minister Cremated.

Attleboro, Mass., an. 23.—Rev. E. Freeman Nute of West Attleboro, aged 73 years, died Thursday, and his body was cremated at Forest Hills yesterday.

American Wins Suit.

Pretoria, Jan. 23.—The high court has decided in favor of the American engineer, R. E. Brown, who sued the government for a declaration of rights in his favor respecting certain claims at Witfontein, or in default, demanding the payment of £1,000,000. The suit arose from the government proclaiming Witfontein to be open for gold mining on a certain date, whereupon Mr. Brown pegged out large blocks of claims. But in the meantime the government withdrew the proclamation and afterwards proclaimed Witfontein under the lottery law.

Judgment For World's Fair Committee.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—A judgment for $84,009, in favor of the World's Columbian exposition committee, has been filed in Judge Burke's court against the Ferris Wheel company. The judgment is for the World's Fair company's share of the gate receipts during the exposition.

End of Charter Oak Company.

Hartford, Jan. 23.—Business affairs of the Charter Oak Life Insurance company, which have been in the hands of receivers for upwards of 10 years, were wound up yesterday. The receivers will distribute $105,747.21 among the stockholders, who will receive a final dividend of 3½ per cent.

Biliousness

Is caused by torpid liver, which prevents digestion and permits food to ferment and putrify in the stomach. Then follow dizziness, headache,

Hood's Pills

insomina, nervousness, and, if not relieved, bilious fever or blood poisoning. Hood's Pills stimulate the stomach, rouse the liver, cure headache, dizziness, constipation, etc. 25 cents. Sold by all druggists. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

AGAINST TRUSTS.

A Bill Now in the Massachusetts Legislature for That Purpose.

Boston, Jan. 23.—A bill was introduced in the legislature to provide for the punishment of persons, copartnerships or corporations forming pools, trusts and combines. These bodies are legally defined, and any corporation, copartnership or individual entering any combination to fix or regulate the price of any article of merchandise, or the amount or quantity of any article, shall be adjudged guilty of a conspiracy to defraud, and shall be subject to indictment. The issue of trust certificates and formation of combinations are prohibited. Violations of this act are to be punished by fines ranging from $500 to $15,000, for the company or corporation, while the officer or agent of a company or any individual violating it may be punished by a fine of not less than $200 nor more than $1000, or by confinement in the state prison not to exceed one year, or by both. One section declares all contracts and agreements in violation of the act absolutely void.

A bill to amend the system of government of towns of less than 5000 inhabitants was also introduced.

The ways and means committee reported favorably a bill appropriating $250,000 for the extermination of tuberculosis in this state, to be used by the board of cattle commissioners.

A resolve providing an appropriation of $30,000 for a statue of Major General Nathaniel P. Banks was referred.

The Butler statue proposition, which aroused such bitter antagonism in the last legislature, was taken from the files and referred to the committee on military affairs.

A bill amending poor debtor proceedings was introduced. It provides that where the debtor has property not exceeding $100, he shall be allowed to take the oath. At present the limit is $20.

In the senate, a bill was introduced to prevent the issuance of liquor licenses to inns having less than 25 rooms.

District Y. M. C. A. Meeting.

Beverly, Mass., Jan. 23.—The second district conference of the Y. M. C. A. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island began last night with a reception and banquet to delegates at the Dane Street Congregational church. Walter J. Paine, president of the local society, presided, and the 75 delegates were welcomed by Rev. A. B. Coats, in behalf of the pastors. Short responses were made by H. B. Bessom of Reading, J. W. Cauley of Stoneham, L. B. Breer of Lynn and Matthew Robson of Salem. After the banquet, delegates addressed meetings in the churches as follows: Dane Street church, General Secretary George B. Day of Lynn, with delegates from Lynn and Gloucester; Washington Street church, General Secretary F. L. Starrett of Malden, with delegates from Malden and Everett; Baptist church, General Secretary R. W. Matthews of Melrose, with delegates from Melrose, Reading and Marblehead; Methodist church, General Secretary W. H. Wyman of Chelsea and delegates from Chelsea and Salem. The convention will continue through today and Sunday.

Vermont's Fire Losses.

Brattleboro, Vt., Jan. 23.—A record of Vermont's fire losses for 1896 has been compiled by L. S. Hayes of Bellows Falls. With a total of 329 fires the aggregate loss was $621,071, and the insurance paid was $367,859. This is a decrease of 15 fires, $644,183 in loss and $468,039 in insurance paid in 1895. The previous year's losses were $1,265,254 and insurance paid $825,878. Of last year's fires 43 were incendiary, 57 caused by defective chimneys or stovepipes, 25 by lightning, 19 from broken and 8 from exploding lamps or lanterns, 14 from stoves or furnaces, 7 from sparks on the roof, 19 from unknown causes and 18 not reported. The losses by counties follow: Addison, $38,000; Bennington, $39,000; Caledonia, $86,000; Chittendon, $54,000; Essex, $5000; Franklin, $68,000; Grand Isle, $1800; Lamoile, $5000; Orange, $14,000; Orleans, $66,000; Rutland, $110,000; Washington, $22,000; Windham, $97,000; Windsor, $30,000.

Must Stand Trial.

New York, Jan. 23.—Judge Fitzgerald, in general sessions, yesterday, handed down a decision overruling the demurrer to the indictment for conspiracy against the American Tobacco company. The opinion discusses generally the law touching upon conspiracy by a corporation. By the decision of Judge Fitzgerald, the directors and officers must stand trial.

Swindler Caught.

Waterbury, Conn., Jan. 23.—Harry M. Brown, alias P. C. Crittenden, an alleged forger, who has been doing various towns in Massachusetts and this state, was arrested here yesterday. The Eastern Specialty company, 39 Oliver street, Boston, is among his victims, as he had been getting drafts cashed on them which were worthless, and they sent out the description which led to his arrest.

Aged Man Drops Dead.

Belfast, Me., Jan. 23.—David Lancaster, one of the oldest business men in this city, dropped dead in his grocery last night. He was 83 years old.

Verdict for Defendant.

In the case of Ellen McCrane vs James McManus, the defendant being administrator of his wife's estate, tried in the police court. Judge Hadley found for the defendant. The plaintiff claimed payment of an alleged legacy under the will. B. D. O'Connell appeared for the plaintiff and Peter A. Feeley for the defendant.

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THE LITTLE CANADA FIRE

MR. MARET BADLY BURNED IN HIS BUILDING.

Taken in the Ambulance to St. John's Hospital.

What might have been a very serious fire broke out in Little Canada at 5.15 last evening, but prompt work by the fire department, hose 8 in particular, stayed the progress of the flames.

Arthur Maret conducts a small but well stocked dyeing establishment on Cheever street, and while at work last evening with naptha, the naptha in some manner caught fire and in an instant the entire rear of the store was in flames, Mr. Maret's clothing and hands getting afire before he could escape.

Damas H. Laporte, whose office is next door rung in the alarm from box 28, and in a very short time hose 8 arrived, the members of the company quickly getting a line of hose in the store. After a short but tough fight the fire was extinguished, though not until almost the entire stock had been destroyed.

Dr. Ricker arrived in the ambulance, and found that Mr. Maret was terribly burned about both hands and one arm and ordered his removal to St. John's hospital, where his intense sufferings were alleviated.

The building is owned by the Appleton National bank, and is known as the Thompson block. It is insured and its damages will reach $200.

The loss on the contents is not known.

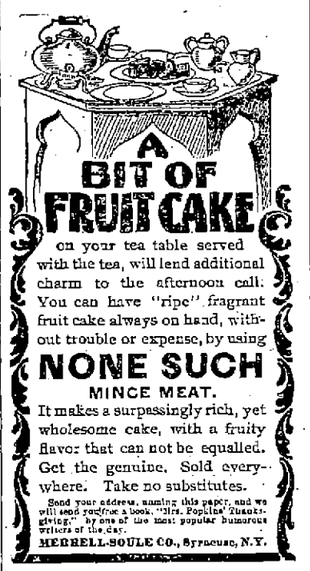
Mathew Temperance Institute.

A committee of 50 has been appointed to arrange for the Easter Monday ball. There is quite a contest going on for the floor directorship, the candidates being Patrick F. Reilly and William Mullen. The election may take place tomorrow.

The rehearsals for the presentation of the annual dramatic performance are being conducted twice a week.

There will be a meeting of the base ball association in a short time to make preparations for the season.

Chairman John J. Lonergan of the entertainment committee is arranging an excellent program for the next "smoke talk."



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SPORTING GOSSIP.

For want of a better occupation I dropped in on a gathering of old time sports, a few evenings ago, in a down town loitering place and found that they were swapping yarns.

Now, the yarns of the old sport are twice as interesting as those of the ancient mariner, for if his theme doesn't suit us we can dispute him, while the ancient mariner generally has odds on us.

I stayed with them a short time and what I heard was worth hearing, particularly the following poker yarn, of which there is more truth than poetry:

"Say, boys," said one, when the waiter had brought the hot lemonade, "did you ever run up against 'Pelham Pete, (which by the way was not his name,) who came here about eight years ago from Dracut (which by the way was not the place). He was a star performer and for a few months he didn't do a thing but work the crowd. Every night that he played he got up with a roll big enough to carry him to the Paris exposition in 1900 if it kept on growing."

"Yes, I played with him," said the Nestor of the party, a wise old cuss and "dead fly." "I was up against him several times and I had the pleasure of being in the game with him the night before he left town."

"Tell us about it," requested the others, settling back in their chairs for a good story.

"Well, he was one of seven who were playing ——'s this night," said the story teller, and I was sitting next him. He began to win like—the deuce, and finally I thought I'd stay out of a few pots and give him my whole attention. It was a great scheme on my part, for I capped his game in a few minutes.

He had a hand on him like a foot, and he also appeared to have a bad cough, though from the sound of it I soon suspected that his cough was a bluff. Then I noticed that every time he coughed he made a funny move of his body, bringing one of his arms down about his legs. Then I put my two eyes on that arm that was doing the funny move and what do you think? That son of a gun was holding pit cards and every time he coughed and brought down his arm his hand contained a couple of good cards which he'd slip under his knee keeping them there by sitting with his leg bent up. If he wanted a card, he'd cough and run the hand down after them sliding the useless cards over under the table, and once in a while telling how sick he was. I grabbed his wrist at the next cough after I got on and showed up two aces. Then Mr. Pete coughed up his stack and got out of that room p. d. q., and the next day he left town.

Then another of the party told of a local player who in a big pot one night held four aces pat and in his excitement discarded one of them on the draw. But when he went on to say that as the card was larger the discards were shuffled up and the holder of the aces on the draw pulled in the ace that he'd thrown away. I decided that they were beginning to get a little off color in their yarns and quit them.

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Brief Sketch of His Brilliant Career.

Very Rev. Dr. Edward P. Allen, who was announced last night in despatches from Rome as being appointed bishop of Mobile, Ala., is a native of Tewksbury. Rev. Dr. Allen is 38 years old.

His father, John Allen, came to Lowell about 60 years ago from Ireland, and opened one of the first meat and provision stores in the city, at the corner of Market and Hanover streets. Later he removed to Tewksbury, where he became a farmer. He had a large family, and Rev. Dr. Allen was obliged to seek employment in the Middlesex mills to assist his parents. Subsequently he was employed by Dr. J. C. Ayer in his laboratory.

Determining to become a priest, young Allen studied in a local commercial college and with priests in Lowell. He was graduated at Mt. St. Mary's college, and later in the seminary. He served as a curate in South Framingham and in other places in this state. When the council of



Very Rev. EDWARD P. ALLEN, D. D.

bishops decided to reorganize the staff at Mt. St. Mary's college, Rev. Dr. Allen was appointed vice president. Later he succeeded Very Rev. William Bryne, now vicar general of this archdiocese, as president.

Rev. Dr. Allen has been a frequent visitor to Lowell. Four of his brothers and one sister reside here. Another sister is married and resides in the Roxbury district of Boston. One of his brothers was the late Ex-Alderman, Richard B. Allen. Many other relatives in Lowell will join with hundreds of friends in congratulating him on his deserved promotion.

Bishop Allen is a remarkably brilliant scholar and a man of rare executive ability as is evidenced by his success in conducting the affairs of Mt. St. Mary's college.

He was a great favorite with all in his charge, being kind, indulgent and yet a disciplinarian. It has always been the prognostication of students at the college that Rev. Fr. Allen would be raised to a bishopric while yet a young man.

The Ice Track.

"Doc" Evans is happy again for at last he is able to use his famous ice track which will be ready for the public tomorrow. It can be easily reached from the boulevard.

The Butler school alumni has appointed a committee to prepare resolutions on the death of Alice Rose Marren.

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THE ASSAULT UPON THE LOWELL VOTER.

The gang of political freebooters from Lowell prepare an onslaught upon the Lowell voter.

Dick Dobbins, who became a statesman before he was naturalized, leads the attack, while W. H. I. Hayes holds the deadly rope by which the unsuspecting voter is to be downed and Rowell, Ramsey, Pattee, Lang and Putnam are all ready to jump upon him with their bludgeons as soon as the opportunity arrives.

There is no species of political piracy, no description of legislative robbery, or of gerrymandering that has not been tried upon the Lowell voter, and now he is to become the victim of the worst gang of political thugs, thieves and robbers that the city has ever produced.



Mother. Husband. Wife.

PRINCIPALS IN THE CASSABON SHOPLIFTING CASE THIS MORNING.

FOR SHOPLIFTING

Mrs. Cassabon and Mother Arrested.

MOTHER FINED $20—DAUGHTER GETS 4 MONTHS.

The Husband Looking For a Divorce.

As a result of her husband's jealousy, Mrs. Obeline Cassabon and her mother, Mrs. Victoria Blouin, are under arrest, the former charged with shoplifting and the latter with larceny.

Mrs. Cassabon is a petite and pretty French girl aged about 18 years, while her husband, Adelard is 20. She works in the Boott and it is said thinks a trifle more than propriety allows of a young man who works beside her. The husband noticing that her love for him was losing its temperature informed Inspectors Laflamme and Allen of his jealousy and wanted something done about it. The inspectors met Mrs. Cassabon on the street and gave her fatherly advice at which she laughed stating that her husband's jealousy was unfounded.

Late yesterday afternoon Mr. Cassabon returned to the police station with Mr. Farrell a manager of the Bon Marche and made a complaint against the wife for shoplifting telling the officers that he had accompanied her to the store and had seen her take numerous articles.

He did not explain why he did not complain of her when he first noticed her wrongdoing.

When the complaint was sworn out the officers went to the house, 22 John avenue, and arrested Mrs. Cassabon, who immediately made a scene.

The officers found several fancy articles and a hat which Mrs. Cassabon had been wearing. Later on her mother, Mrs. Victoria Blouin, accompanied by her sister, visited the station and became so excited upon finding the husband that she had to be led away.

The mother, Mrs. Blouin, has been employed by Mrs. Marjorie Gadbout on Eighteenth street, and since her departure Mrs. Gadbout has missed a quanity of valuable lace. The inspectors knowing this informed Mrs. Blouin that they must search her apartments to ascertain if any goods stolen by the daughter were in her possession. Mrs. Blouin walked into the trap, though she indignantly denied any knowledge of her daughter's peculations and was only too willing that her house be searched.

The inspectors went to the house of Mrs. Charles Albert on Moody street, where Mrs. Blouin resides and found the missing lace in a trunk. They arrested Mrs. Blouin.

Then with both women arrested, Mr. Cassabon requested a divorce immediately but didn't get it. Last night he repented his hasty action and offered to settle with the Bon Marche if his wife would be freed but the case had gone too far and the wife must appear in court.

The Strangest Feature.

But the strangest feature of the entire case came to light this morning when Cassabon walked into the police station and gave himself up, begging to be taken in place of his wife. He offered to go into court, plead guilty and take any sentence if they would only let his poor wife go free and when his offer was refused he felt very sad at heart.

Case in Court.

The case was called in court and Lawyer Rivet appearing for the daughter pleaded guilty. He said that the girl was very young and had been married about a year. Her husband wouldn't let her work in the mill as he was jealous of her and she was probably driven to theft by lack of funds.

Then the case of the mother was called and Major Gadbout and his wife appeared as government witnesses. Mrs. Gadbout identified the lace found in the trunk as a portion of her's which she missed from her bureau. No evidence was offered by the defence.

The court fined the mother $20 to be paid in three days or three months in jail.

The daughter received four months in jail.

During the trial the husband was in court with a bag containing bananas which he intended to give his wife. But when he visited the pair in the cells they made frantic efforts to get at him threatening all sorts of vengeance. Cassabon kept the bananas and went away laughing asking in the meantime how he could get a divorce.

Nearing the End.

The Mexican Medicine company, now nearing its stay in Lowell, has already disposed of in this city thousands of bottles of Zyno, the great Mexican blood tonic and have given away thousands of samples as well as received hundreds of Lowell testimonials attesting to the curative powers of the celebrated remedy which is invaluable in the care of all stomach, liver and kidney troubles. Everybody wants to make sure to give Zyno a trial before this celebrated medical company leaves Lowell. Only a few days left to purchase the large one dollar bottles for 25 cents at the office 32 Central street. Purchase now for delays are dangerous.

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CONCLUDING ARGUMENTS

In the Bram Case Made by Both Sides Today.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Jan. 23.—Mr. French, Bram's counsel in the new trial case, finished his argument today. He said the appeal was to the court's discretion. He asked them to exercise it with mercy. District Attorney Hoar's argument for the government, said the trial was fair, and the jury honest. He attacked the press, and said the court should not take account of the alleged public opinion arising from partisan reports. He begged them grant a new trial if they thought Bram had not had justice.

MANDAMUS REFUSED.

Decision in the Lawrence Case by Supreme Court.

The real proceedings in the Supreme court in the matter of the petition of J. J. Carey for a mandamus to compel the acceptance of his bond as city clerk of Lawrence, began and ended yesterday.

The judge dismissed the petition at 2.15 o'clock. He gave Mr. Williams ten days in which to file exception. But the counsel for the petitioners waived all rights in order that a joint convention might be held at once.

Judge Barker staid that he did not care to hear from Mr. De Courcy as he was satisfied that the joint convention was illegal. He said that he would allow Williams to present his argument to show that the joint convention was legal.

Printer Killed.

Joseph Belleville, formerly a well known Lowell printer, was killed recently in a railroad accident in New Brunswick, N. J.

Common Sense
Should be exercised in taking a remedy for catarrh. It is caused by impurity in the blood. Snuffs and inhalants are of little avail. They have been tried in thousands of cases and have failed to cure, but Hood's Sarsaparilla has power to cure catarrh because it purifies the blood.

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LATEST

A PECULIAR ACCIDENT.

Young Man Has His Nose Cut Completely Off.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

South Norwalk, Conn., Jan. 23.—James Gregory stood behind a man chopping wood this morning when the axe slipped striking Gregory in the face cutting his nose completely off.

Two More Bodies Found.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Quogue, L. I., Jan. 23.—Another body was found this morning from the wreck of the Nahum Chapin. It is believed to be either that of the first mate Davis or the second mate Maddock.

EX-MAYOR FIFIELD'S BROTHER

Died in Waverly Thursday—Was a Well Known Manufacturer.

Mr. Charles Fifield, of the firm of C. S. Fifield & Co., 53 High street, Boston, died in Waverly, Thursday, aged 53 years. He had been ill nearly three years.

He was widely known as the inventor and manufacturer of machinery for making boots and shoes.

He leaves a widow, father and mother, two sister and a brother, the Hon. George W. Fifield of this city.

His body was taken to Belmont, N. H., the home of his parents.

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$6 Patent Vamp Dress Button Boots (Burt's), also plain toe kid, button dress Boots, $3.

$5 Burt Kid Button patent tips, new stylish toe, $3.

$3 Box Calf Lace and Button Boots, double sole, new coin cap toe, $2.

$2 Misses' Dongola Boot, button and lace, wide toe, $1.

MEN'S

$4 Calf Congress Graham or wide cap toe, $2.

$5 Grain Wauken-phast congress, calf lined, also Calf Waukenphast Hathaway, Soule, and Harrington's make, $3.

$3 Dongola Congress $1.50.

$5 Patent Dress Congress, $3.

$10 Herth's French Congress, cork sole, sizes 8 and 9, width 4 and 5, $3.

Men's and Boys' Button Boots at half price.

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THE SUN EXTRA

5 O'CLOCK

BY ESCAPING GAS

Is Caused Another Death to Boston.

YOUNG MAN ASPHYXIATED SITTING IN BED.

He Fell Asleep While Heating Water.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Jan. 23.—Another name was added to the long list of deaths by asphyxiation in this city, this morning when James B. Connor, aged 38 years, was found dead in his room, sitting in bed. In his room was a gas heater and on it was a can containing water. While heating the water last night he fell asleep. Later the water boiling over put out the gas and the escaping fumes filled the room and caused his death.

SHERIFF CHASING CASHIER

Of a Savings Bank Across the Continent.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Sioux City, Jan. 23.—The savings bank depositors are dissatisfied with the way matters are progressing under Receiver Moss. They made an investigation themselves and found things in a bad state. They swore out a warrant for Cashier Stone for embezzlement. The sheriff is now chasing him across the continent.

THE ENGLISHMAN WON.

Craig of Inverness Beat Carroll of Waltham by 10 Yards Today.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Manchester, Eng., Jan. 23.—Craig of Inverness beat Carroll of Waltham in a race at Bolton this morning for a purse of 100 pounds. He won by 10 yards.

BIG BARKENTINE LOST.

Went Down Off the Barbadoes—Crew Saved — Vessel Ashore at Vineyard Haven.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Boston, Jan. 23. — Cablegrams announced the loss of the Barkentine Payson Tucker, Capt. Oakes, owned at Portland, Me., off Barbadoes, Jan. 6. The crew were saved.

The Isaac Jackson went ashore off Vineyard Haven, today. Both are owned by the J. S. Winslow Co., of Portland, Me.

Forgur McDonnell Arrested.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 23.—By reason of a strange story in a paper here George McDonnell, the well known Bank of England swindler and Edwin Noyes, are under arrest in Chicago on a trivial charge on the assumption that they were wanted in San Francisco for forging the pencil will of James G. Fair. There is no suspicion against him.

May Succeed Leo XIII.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

London, Jan. 23.—Advices from Rome state that the appointment of Manager Tuigi Oregelia Stefano, as head of the sacred college gives him the best chance to succeed the present pope. It is taken as an indication that His Holiness wishes Stefano to succeed him.

Bark Disabled.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Vineyard Haven, Jan. 23.—The three masted bark that went ashore last night is the Isaac Jackson of Portland, Me. It was loaded with salt for Boston. It lies on the graveyard and is most dangerous on the coast. The crew is probably lost.

Package of $2000 Missing.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Denver, Jan. 23—A package containing thirty six hundred dollars is missing from a sack of registered mail from San Francisco. It is supposed to have been taken between San Francisco and Cheyenne.

Heavy Damage of $385,000.

By Associated Press to the Sun.

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 23—The total amount of damage claimed of the Louisville and Nashville road on account of the Canabal river wreck is three hundred and sixty five thousand dollars.

FUNERAL SERVICES

COLLINS—The funeral of Margaret Collins took place this afternoon from her late home, 62 Adams street. Rev. Richard S. Burke officiated at the grave in the Catholic cemetery.

BUTLER—The funeral of the late Josiah Butler occurred from his late residence on Stevens street, this afternoon at 1.30 o'clock. Services were conducted by Rev. George S. Bicknell of Cambridge, assisted by Rev. Mr. Fisher. Singing was by a male quartet. Interment in charge of J. B. Currier, was in the Lowell cemetery.

The board of directors of the Y. I. A., held a meeting at the home of Prof. James P. Emerson last night, and it was voted to hold "An Old Folks' Party," February 16.

Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Gregoire will sail on the American liner St. Louis for Europe, on Jan. 27, where they will search for novelties in the millinery line.

WAGES REVIEWED

By Chief Wadlin of the Bureau of Statistics.

CONDITION OF LABOR HERE AND IN EUROPE.

Some Interesting Figures on Wages Presented.

The wage review of the chief of the bureau of statistics of labor, Horace G. Wadlin, taken from the twenty-sixth annual report of that bureau and dealing statistically and exhaustively with the graded weekly wages is now in distribution and in its lengthy introduction contains much interesting reading.

As it deals with wages, earnings, etc., the report opens with definitions of the terms used.

Wages according to the report is the sum paid in employments mainly manual and mechanical for a specified and comparatively short time, usually an hour day or week; or in the case of piece workers, the sum paid for a specified amount of work. By salary is meant the sum paid in employments mainly mental, for services rendered within a specified period of time, longer than that for which the term "wages," is used, generally a year, although sometime restricted to the quarter or the month, but usually implying permanence of employment. As a general rule when wages are paid as above defined, deductions are made for short time vacations, etc., while when salaries are paid they are not. This is founded upon the fact that when a wage earner is absent production ceases as far as he is concerned.

By earnings is meant the amount actually received for work within a given period generally a year. For instance, if a workingman's weekly wages are $10, his yearly wages are $520. If he loses ten weeks' time his yearly earnings are but $420.

The closely related subject of prices or cost of living, says the report, has also engaged the attention of the bureau. It is evident that the real measure of value of a workingman's earnings or his real wages, as distinguished from his nominal or money wages, are the commodities that his earnings will buy. His ideal condition would apparently be found wherever high wages and low prices rule. But there are various factors which affect wages and prices and these must be so adjusted that low prices for certain products will not necessarily mean low wages for the workingman engaged in their production. For obvious reasons, earnings are higher in certain industries than in others, but it is essential to general industrial prosperity that the earnings in no industry or occupation should be forced below the amount necessary for the comfortable maintenance of the worker and the family dependent upon him.

In relation to the above also the report makes comparisons from previous reports as to what a dollar will buy in different localities. For years previous to 1891, the wages and prices are brought forward in statistical order under the head of "Graded wages and Prices," and it is the intention of the bureau to continue the presentation from year to year, graded prices will follow the wage presentations, analyses and comparisons of wages will accompany the tables each year.

The report then quotes the reports of previous years in relation to different details in connection with the subjects above. For instance, it quotes from the report of 1874, the comparative rates of wages and hours of labor. One very interesting extract from the quotation in comparing the American mechanic with his European brother, is the following: For instance, while in nearly all the industries we have given, the employe receives here a much larger income than his fellow in Europe, he will find that his rent, clothing and provisions cost him more; he will find also that he receives or consumes more, lives in a better way, has more of the comforts and luxuries of life, so that at the end of the year while he has but little more if any surplus than the European, and has worked no harder if as hard, he is more of a man and occupies a position some grades higher in the scale of civilization, and has that inestimable blessing denied the foreign laborer especially the English agricultural workman, the right and privilege to become a land owner. If the foreign laborer or mechanic should come to this country and continue to live in the same meagre way that he did in the old country, while he received the wages of the new he would soon find himself with a surplus that would enable him to place his family in a condition that would be the envy of his old shopmates, but by this the real benefit to himself and family probably would not be equal to that gained by a change of his mode of life.

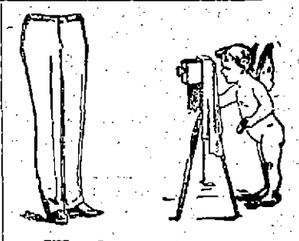
It is the real, moral and physical condition of a man that makes him more or less of a man, not his property surplus, however desirable the surplus may be."

One quotation taken from a previous report on wages and earnings, which is practically unchanged today is this: "The higher yearly earnings in most of the industries where men predominate will be readily seen. For instance, in the manufacture of carriages and wagons, 99 per cent. of employes are men—average yearly earnings $462.

In cotton goods 63 per cent. are women and children and only 37 per cent. men—average yearly earnings $253. In the manufacture of musical instruments and materials, 97 per cent. are men—average yearly earnings $581. In the manufacture of worsted goods, 60 per cent. are women and children—average yearly earnings, $290.

Taking a comparison of wages between Massachusetts and Great Britain from 1860 to 1883, representing 68 in Massachusetts and 39 in Great Britain, the Massachusetts wages were higher in all industries compared the percentage in favor being 73.02. Wages in Massachusetts during the years mentioned increased 21.36 per cent.

But on the other hand, the Massachusetts workman expends 48.41 per cent. more for the support of his family than does the Englishman. Of this 5.80 per cent. is paid extra for articles which could be purchased that per cent. cheaper in the old country, 11.49 per cent. to secure more and larger rooms and more air space, while the remainder is expended by the Massachusetts man to secure better home surroundings and a higher standard of living.



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ELOPERS CAUGHT

In This City This Morning By Police.

ELROY KING AND MRS. SUSAN FOWLER

Who Disappeared Last April From Revere, Mass.

After an absence of almost a year from her home, Susan Fowler, aged 20, the erring wife of Harry H. Fowler, who eloped with Elroy King, aged 47, of this city, last April, while living in Revere, Mass., has been located by her husband and brought to account for her action.

Mrs. Fowler is a pretty and refined, though poorly dressed Kentuckian, just out of her teens, and is the wife of a hard working stevedore, employed at the India wharf in Boston. Some time last year, she met Elroy King of Lowell, old enough to be her father, short of stature, dark, swarthy and lame, and sometimes known by the name of Smith. She fell in love with him and last April they disappeared, coming to Lowell, where they resided with King's family at the corner of Washington and Hale streets, until the members of the family ascertained that the couple were not man and wife, it is said, when the erring couple had to leave. Since then they have lived in Chelmsford. On Wednesday, Mr. Fowler first learned of his wife's whereabouts and yesterday he came to Lowell and swore out a warrant against the pair for lewd and lascivious cohabitation. This morning they were arrested by Officer McKenzie on Chelmsford street and locked up.

THAT MYSTERIOUS MAN

May Not Be as Bad as Suspected.

Alonzo N. Thayer, the young man who applied for admission to the Tewksbury almshouse, and was sent to Deer Island, Thursday, to serve out 30 days' imprisonment, after pleading guilty to the charge of vagrancy, and who is under suspicion because he couldn't explain to the satisfaction of the police how he came into possession of a sandbag, a cipher telegram and a letter headed to "A Friend in the Dark," is no longer a "man of mystery" the police have made him out to be.

For two days he has been looked upon as a bold, bad man, who might be guilty of almost any crime in the police category. He is supposed to be wanted for assaults upon a number of women in Detroit, and it is thought here that he might have sandbagged some sea captain to get possession of $500, which the canvas bag found in his possession once contained.

The police say that he has failed in every explanation which he has tried to make, and that his stories are largely responsible for his being in a bad light before the public. They suspect him yet, and are anxiously waiting for information from the west which will implicate him in some crime.

The adjourned meeting of the creditors of Moir Bros., was held in the insolvency court at Cambridge, yesterday, and 30 claims were presented. The creditors are offered 40 cents on the dollar.

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If Platt succeeds as boss in the U. S. senate, Hanna will lose his occupation in case he be elected.

The Citizen might as well remember that its antecedents have caused democrats to look with suspicion upon any democratic movement which meets its special approval.

BACKMAILING DEMOCRATS.

The News says the Sun defends caucus robbers. Not at all. The Sun is merely defending the democratic party against the charge made by the News that "democrats make it impossible for a democratic administration to succeed," that "democrats aided and abetted fraudulent voting on election day in order to defeat Mayor Courtney."

As a case in point the News mentions the voting upon Edward Donnelly's name, saying that it was ignored by democrats but does the News know how that repeater voted? It is now in order for the News to prove by its own peculiar system of logic that two democrats, not two republicans, should have been convicted for the horse trade and that it was undoubtedly a democrat who killed Belanger.

IMPEACH CLEVELAND AND OLNEY.

The United States today stands in the disgraceful attitude of condoning the slaughter of wounded men and defenceless women, aye, even of American citizens in Cuba. Neither the red cross, the white flag nor the Stars and Stripes will suffice to stay the fury of Weyler's butchers. Verily it is time for the people of this country to take the matter in hand and if necessary to impeach Cleveland and Olney for being in collusion with Spain for the merciless butchery of Cubans of every age and both sexes.

POLITICAL PIRACY AS A REWARD FOR MAYOR COURTNEY'S NON-PARTISANSHIP.

The committee on cities of the legislature has decided to amend the city charter in the interest of republicans and of course the bill reported by that unscrupulous coterie will pass.

The present charter bill was "doctored" to suit the wishes of the republicans before being submitted to the legislature. It was passed as a republican measure after getting the approval of the republican city committee of Lowell. Then the farce of submitting it to the people was gone through. Why insult the voters of Lowell by asking them to pass judgment on a charter and then change it after being adopted, without consulting the people, without considering their rights.

Only one thing is considered and that is the power which the legislature possesses to rob the people of their rights throughout the state.

Let it be proclaimed that while this legislature exists as at present constituted, no act of political piracy is too great to be carried out by its republican majority.

Mayor Courtney has been paying obsequious deference to the republicans, because he received some republican votes. He has followed a course which has been more nonpartisan than that of any other mayor of this city for the last quarter of a century, but is that considered now? No. There never was a mayor of Lowell treated with such outrageous indignity as has been displayed toward him in the gerrymander, in the redistricting of the city in which they robbed him temporarily of his veto power by special act of the legislature.

After two years of his nonpartisan administration of the city's business it happens that he comes into the responsibility of appointing heads of departments, and before he has fairly begun to exercise that power, the republicans are out with a bill to transfer it to the city or in other words to themselves.

This is the reward Mayor Courtney gets for his nonpartisan policy. This shows how timely and considerate was the counsel offered him by the News when about inauguration day it solemnly cautioned him how to act, and announced to the public that

"The mayor should not be expected to wholly confine his appointments to friendship or party ties."

That is the old policy of the News which has been given out in one form or another every year a democratic mayor happened to be elected. It was always more considerate for republicans than for democrats.

Now the democrats are receiving the reward of their liberal policy of their consideration for republicans.

What is Mayor Courtney's duty to the democracy of Lowell under the present circumstances?

It is to push the Bray-Varnum case to a hasty conclusion.

If the court decides that the power of appointment is properly his, then let him appoint a complete list of city officials and all democrats.

If the bill is liable to be passed before the court's decision can be obtained, then let him without further delay appoint all heads of departments, and notify all subordinates in each department that his appointes must be obeyed.

The bill even if passed cannot be retroactive, so that the mayor's appointees could hold office for a year in spite of what crime the political freebooters may embody under the name of an amended charter.

STORIES OF THE DAY

Dr. Talmage's Secret—How the Great Divine Attracts the People.

The story as it was told me:

We were missionaries together in a frontier town of the great northwest, he a stiff back, strait laced Presbyterian, who had swerved from the old Dutch Reformed church of the Mohawk valley to fill a more modern niche; I of a more liberal faith. He was an old man; I young. In one of our many long conversations—for we were cronies and I liked to hear his reminiscences—he told me of his schoolfellow, Talmage. "What! T. De Witt?" "Yea, verily, the same. We were in college and in the theological seminary together." Being encouraged, the dominie went on: "Robert Talmage was the great Talmage of the Talmage family. He was born great. He has been a missionary in China many, many years. But De Witt has made himself great."

"You interest me—genius of birth and of growth both in the same family. Tell me of the genius that grows, develops. There is hope for some of us maybe." A broad grin spread over his face as he complied. "We were installed in charges not very distant from each other, and as two young men began our work. It was among the good old Dutch Reformed brethren, not far from New York. Being in the same presbytery, as we call it now, De Witt and myself were brought together from time to time. We were interested—yes, glad—to know of the growth of the Lord's work in each other's hands. During the first year we met one day, and to my hail, 'De Witt, how goes the times?' he made answer, 'Slow, slow, B., slow.' 'How is that?' 'Well, there are too many empty pews. I tell you, B., I am going to make a break.' I laughed and said: 'You better spend more time with your Bible. Be on your knees more for your people. Agonize more for souls.' He replied hastily, 'I do all those things, am wearing myself out to no purpose that way, and I am going to make a break.'

"We went our several ways and had forgotten his threat, if, indeed, it was a threat, 'I am going to make a break,' when one day we met on a committee, and I grasped his hand, with the, 'Well, old boy, how goes it?' His answer was, 'First rate—splendid!' and he looked it. 'But,' I whispered, 'they say they are going to ship you down there?' 'All right,' said he; 'I'll go to a larger place.' 'You made the break and have no empty pews. Tell me about it.' And this was his story. He noticed the show people and theater people had the willing crowds and the churches the unwilling few. What was the secret? Who had the secret? Evidently the actors.

"He immediately wrote to a friend in New York city for the address of some one who would be a good trainer for the stage, and in due time by engagement was greeted at his door. It was his annual summer vacation. The man looked surprised when he learned De Witt's errand, seemed to hesitate for a moment, and then said, 'Mr. Talmage, I suspect you are a clergyman, and I never train clergymen, so cannot take you as a pupil.' De Witt bridled at the thought. 'Why, sir, why?' 'Simply impossible. You would not do as I tell you, and, if you did, they would expel you from the pulpit.' 'But I will do as you tell me, and I will take the risk of expulsion.'

"But let me give you the story in his own words. The trainer went on to say: 'You were educated all wrong according to our standard of speaking. All ministers are.' I answered promptly, 'I believe you.' He continued, 'You speak from a little box pulpit high up?' 'Yes, sir.' 'Will you agree to abandon that and have a large platform like a stage for you to walk around on to talk to men from?' 'Yes, sir,' with some hesitation as the ghosts of ministerial propriety glared at me from the unchanging past. 'However, Mr. Talmage, the greatest difficulty to remove I will find in yourself rather than in the church building. There is not a thing you have been trying to do but is wrong.' He was growing interesting. 'Mr. Talmage, you believe in this book,' picking up a small Bible; 'that men must know its truths?' 'Yes, sir; I do.' 'That if they would be saved they must receive them; that the choice of life or death is here?' 'Yes, sir.' 'That thousands will go down to death unsaved unless you teach them to receive Christ?' 'Yes, sir.' 'And this is the way you go about it.' Changing his quick, nervous, earnest ways to great deliberation, he straightened up to his highest, seemingly, buttoned his coat, touched up his hair, slowly adjusted a pair of glasses, dropped his arm by his sides and began a dead march in 'Saul' pace to the imaginary pulpit. A face of chalk would have had as much expression as his as he calmly opened the book and read in a perfunctory way some Scripture.

"He cleared his ministerial voice and, turning to me, said, 'Mr. Talmage, did I do it justice?' 'Yes, too true to life.' He came back to my side, unbuttoned his coat, put on an alert look, strode to his pulpit, opened the book with eagerness, and with flashing eye and fervid voice read Scripture, making my blood tingle. His every hair seemed to believe and speak, his flesh to creep, as if pent with a great message. He talked as though he stood between the living and the dead; as though for the last time; as though earth as a grain of sand were being lost on the shores of oblivion and frosted and palsied all the achievements of man. If lifeless with dignity before, he was now all life, all eloquence. He stopped and said, 'Mr. Talmage, will you do like that?' I said, 'I will try.' He said, 'Note this: You ministers express what you believe in such a way that people do not believe you believe it, while we actors express what we do not believe in such a way that people believe we believe it.' 'So, you see,' said Mr. Talmage, 'I have the secret and the multitude.'"—F. H. in Chicago Times-Herald.

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"LOST IN THE WOODS."

An Instance In Which This Was Literally True of Men Supposed to Be Lynched.

In the summer of 1894 H. B. Walker, the railroad agent at Suspension, Ala., was shot and robbed by two negroes. Detective Wallace of Columbus, Ga., while trying to arrest Riley Walker and Richard Williams, colored, for the crime, was shot and killed by them.

The murder caused great indignation, and when the negroes were arrested they only escaped lynching by being hurried off by train to jail at Montgomery. In August of that year they were taken back to Union Springs, and each was given a life sentence. The verdict enraged the people so that a mob assembled.

The prisoners were placed on a train to be hurried away to Montgomery again. Near Mitchell station a mob stopped the train, boarded it, and overpowering the officers took the negroes off. It was supposed that they were lynched, and the alleged lynching was denounced not only by American newspapers, but also by the English press.

A London humane society wrote to Governor Jones denouncing the southern people. The governor gave it a scathing reply and offered a reward of $100 for each member of the mob, but no arrests resulted.

The other day Richard Williams was found and rearrested at Highlog, Bullock county. He had changed his name, but finally acknowledged his identity. He says he and Walker while handcuffed together, one with a rope about his neck, were pushed off the train, and then the members of the mob sprang off 100 yards farther up the track. Meanwhile the two negroes had scrambled off and run to a ditch near by, where they hid. The mob passed near them, cursing because they could not find them. Later the prisoners went to an old negro's house and got him to cut off their handcuffs with an adze. Then they parted company.

Walker's location is unknown. Williams has since been working at a mill 20 miles from Mitchell.—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

A DEPEW STORY.

The Genial Doctor Tells a New One at the Lotos Club.

Some of the best stories that are told at Lotos club dinners reach only the small audience that gathers in the cafe down stairs after the toasts have been spoken to for a more informal entertainment as a conclusion. To such an audience a few evenings ago Dr. Depew, in speaking of the many requests that he received for passes, said: "A man whom I have not seen since we were boys together called on me this morning and introduced himself. He looked rather seedy, and he told me he wasn't prosperous. We talked about the days when we were boys together, and the little red schoolhouse, and how the years had dealt with each of us. 'I am glad to see you are getting along nicely, Chauncey,' he said. 'Thank you,' I replied. 'And how have you prospered?' 'I have not prospered at all,' he said, wiping a tear from the corner of his eye, 'but I am on the eve of success if you will give me a little aid.' 'What can I do for you?'

"'Well, Chauncey, I want a pass to Wappinger Falls.'

"'What are you going to do there to bring you success?' I asked.

"'I'm going to deliver a lecture. It's a good lecture, and it will bring me fame and money.'

"'And what are you going to lecture about?' I asked.

"'I'll tell you, Chauncey, after I get the pass.'

"I wanted to aid my old friend, and I had a pass made out for him. Giving it to him, I said with some curiosity:

"'Now, John, what is the subject of this lecture of yours?'

"John braced up, threw back his shoulders and proudly answered:

"'I am going to lecture on how to make money.'"—New York Sun.

AGAINST POOLROOMS.

Concerted Movement All Over Alabama to Influence the Legislature.

The most formidable reform movement ever pursued in Alabama is now being waged against pool selling on horse races run in or out of the state. By arrangement preachers in all parts of the state delivered sermons on Jan. 17 on gambling. Mass meetings have been held, and ministers and church deacons delivered addresses on the evils of pool selling on horse-races.

In Birmingham three ministers—Jew, Protestant and Catholic—participated. Large congregations were present at all of them, and the addresses were listened to attentively. Collections were taken up with which to keep a lobby at the capitol in order that the antipool bill which has been presented shall not be allowed to die.

The church people of Alabama were never so much wrought up as on this subject. The law which they support is similar to the one in force in New Jersey.

Resolutions were adopted in all the principal counties in the state and will be presented to the representatives, showing the sentiment in favor of the passage of the bill. There are about half a dozen poolrooms in the state.

Prayer Against Lynching.

In his prayer opening the ceremonies of the governor's inauguration at Columbia, S. C., the Rev. Dr. W. E. Evans of Trinity Episcopal church said:

"We especially pray that the form of lawlessness which assumes the right, regardless of authority, to visit punishment upon evildoers, thereby bringing reproach upon the fair name of this historic commonwealth, may disappear from us forever, and as a people may we learn that righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people."

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A Job In Prospect.

"I got a chance to go to work if I could only git out to California," said Dismal Dawson.

"Oh, yes. You would work, I don't think," said the incredulous citizen.

"Well, I wouldn't mind takin this here job. I hear there is a paper wants 800 men to lie around on their backs and watch for that flyin machine."—Indianapolis Journal.

January Jingles.

Oh, the summer rose is bobbing
On the city winter hat,
And for warmth the cabby's jumping
With a will.
While the building is bobnobbing
On the snowdrift with the cat
The toboggan's thumping, bumping,
Down the hill.

Oh, the winter wind is whining
Round the chimney with a vim.
O'er the ice Matilda's tripping
On her toes.
And with eyeballs shining, pining,
See you little skater skim,
While the hide is rudely ripping
From his nose,
From his nose,
While the hide is rudely ripping from his nose.

Oh, the golden corn is popping
With an effervescent bang,
And the merry blazes ripple
On the rug,
And on fairy seas I'm flopping
Like a blithe orang outang,
While I dream about the tipple
In the jug.
There's a Shanghai rooster nestling
On the spinal of the cow,
And the crust the sparrow dirkies
On the limp,
And you little urchin wrestling
With his romping bow-wow-waw
Sees the milkman as he circles
Round the pump,
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Sees the milkman as he circles round the pump.

File the logs upon the blazes.
Let them sizzle with a sizz,
While within the chair that's easy
I repose.
Oh, I float through fairy mazes,
Like the berry on the fizz,
When the summer's breezy, greasy
Zephyr blows.
While the wind is weirdly whining
Through my music haunted dream,
Ring the sleighbells' ding-a-lingiets
On the street.
Oh, the apple jack's combining
With the water now a-steam,
And I'm happy from my ringlets
To my feet,
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—R. K. Munkittrick in New York Journal.

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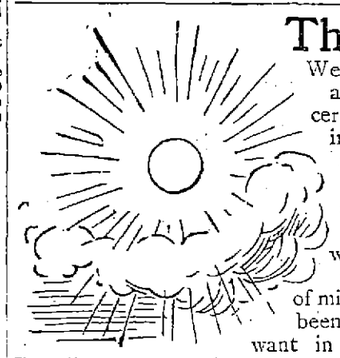
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Alkali Abe: "Naw. He was, but the mayor had him cut down yist'day mawnin."



The sun shines.

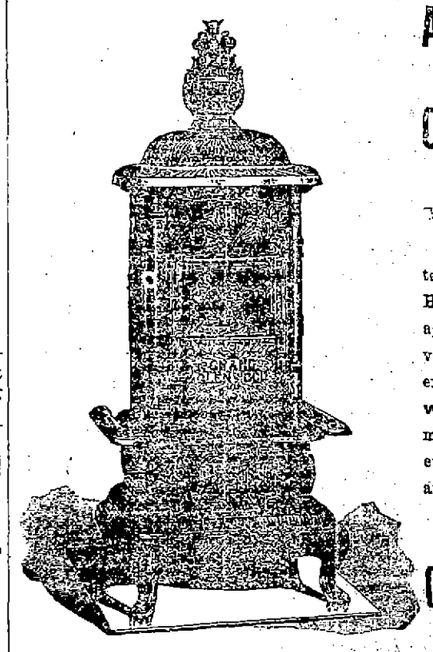
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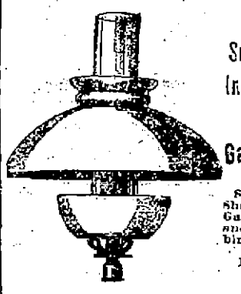
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MORGAN SPEAKS

Letter From Minister of Central America

STARTLES THE U. S. SENATE AND AROUSES MORGAN.

Diplomacy With Great Britain Viewed Suspiciously.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The session of the senate yesterday developed three distinct sensations. Most important of these was the presentation by Mr. Sherman of a letter from Minister Rodriguez, the representative of the greater republic of Central America (including Nicaragua), in effect, protesting against the execution of the Nicaraguan canal project by the United States, under the concession granted in 1887 to the Nicaraguan Canal company. The debate was very earnest, and the letter made a profound impression on the senators.

Earlier in the day the senate unexpectedly found itself discussing the new Anglo-American treaty. While the treaty itself has been released, all discussion of it is restricted to executive sessions. Notwithstanding this rule, the expressions were free and full from Messrs. Sherman, Gray, Cullom, Lodge, Hoar and others. The statements of these senators were uniformly favorable to the high principal of the treaty, the only qualification being that it should receive mature and dispassionate consideration. Shortly after the session began, Mr. Turpie caused a preliminary flurry by criticising the reported agreement between Mr. Olney and Mr. Sherman, by which no action was to be taken as to Cuba before March 4. Mr. Sherman emphatically denied that any such agreement had been made, and added that he had not had a word with Mr. Olney in that direction. Mr. Turpie gave notice of a speech on the Cameron Cuban resolution on Monday. These three incidents relating to current foreign questions made the day's session one of the most eventful in years.



SENATOR MORGAN.

Sherman created quite a sensation by presenting and having read a communication from the minister of the Greater Republic of Central America to the secretary of state, which had been transmitted by Secretary Olney. The communication criticised the pending Nicaragua canal bill in various particulars, and pointed out certain objections which in his opinion would render them nugatory. The communication was signed by J. D. Rodriguez.

As soon as the communication had been read Morgan took the floor. He said the communication had come before the senate in proper form, because it came through the state department; but the senate had no knowledge who the signer was; did not even know officially of the existence of the "great republic of Central America." "Rodriguez is the accredited representative here of that republic," interrupted Mr. Sherman.

"I understand," replied Morgan, "that he has been received by the diplomatic corps, but this is our first knowledge that such a government exists. The president in receiving this representative of the diet distinctly informed him, as we learn from the newspapers, that our relations with the peoples of the governments he represented would be in no wise affected."

Morgan said the British government was interested in counteracting the purposes of the United States as to Nicaragua. He had so expressed his conviction to the secretary of state. British railway lines had been established across the isthmus for the distinct purpose of securing exclusive control of this isthmus communication. This belief was confirmed by recent developments.

Turning to the letter from Minister Rodriguez, the senator exclaimed: "Great Britain is using that diet as a catspaw for the purpose of driving us out of the isthmus. That is a serious statement, but I make it deliberately in the United States senate and it demands an answer. That answer must be given before there is any ratification of this new arbitration treaty."

Morgan said it was an unusual thing that the minister for this new republic should send such a communication. If these governments desired to forfeit any concessions they should do it, and then the American congress would determine if there should have been a violation of contract rights given to American citizens.

Senator Hale interposed the suggestion that Minister Rodriguez' letter seemed to raise a grave question as to whether the measure under consideration could proceed. Whether this could be explained or not he was not able to say, but he asked Morgan, in charge of the bill, as to the status since the presentation of this letter.

Other senators interposed questions and intense interest was shown in the appearance of the unexpected letter. White asked if there was a minister from Nicaragua.

Morgan explained the diplomatic status. Nicaragua was formerly represented by a minister, Dr. Guzman, but he had gone. Nicaragua had entered the Central American republic, and this latter union had sent Minister Rodriguez to represent it at Washington.

"This is an impertinent intrusion, thrust in our face while the senate is seeking to settle the isthman question."

Morgan favored making Nicaragua live up to her contract and concessions. Until lately she had favored American construction of the canal. And yet she comes here with two other Central American countries, and raised objections which, if held to be good, would end the prospect of American control of the Nicaragua canal. The American people would not quietly give up the right to control that great waterway, whatever clamor may be raised for a peace treaty with Great Britain. The presentation of this letter, coming from the secretary of state, meant that the president of the United States had determined that the pending Nicaraguan canal bill was not to be allowed to pass. That was a remarkable threat, and yet it was so in line with previous executive action that Mr. Morgan said he felt quite prepared for the interference.

Morgan said that the real cause for the appearance of this Rodriguez letter was that it proposed a renewal of the Frelinghuysen-Savalla treaty, by which we were to pay Nicaragua $4,000,000.

"Does Nicaragua wish to handle that $4,000,000?" inquired Morgan, suggestively.

The senator believed this was the real motive for the appearance of the letter.

Morgan said the pending bill proposed to submit to the government of Nicaragua the question whether it would accept the contract, but Nicaragua had no right to come here and attempt to interfere with our action by saying that the bill would violate a treaty. If she did not desire to accept the contract she could reject it. If the position of Nicaragua, as presented by this communication, could be sustained, it would enable her to go to Great Britain with the proposition she desired to press here on the United States.

Morgan said the letter of Rodriguez was in effect a notice to the senate not to pass the Nicaragua canal bill. With this threat "flaunted in our faces," and the Anglo-American treaty standing ahead of us, the United States senate might as well close its work and surrender the functions as to accept the views of this minister, about whom the senate knows nothing.

Hale insisted that Rodriguez was fully recognized; the letter of Secretary Olney termed him "minister of the Central American republic." Nicaragua had merged her identity into the new republic. Hale insisted that the minister's protest was of the gravest importance.

Proceeding, Morgan said it was regrettable that senators were under such contempt from the president that they were not informed as to the circumstances of Rodriguez' presence. The president had, at the ceremony of recognition, expressly stated that the obligations originally entered into by the several states of the American union were in no way surrendered. But the senate was in such humiliating position that the president gave it no information as to this important question. The entire plan of building the canal might as well be abandoned if this threat from Rodriguez was heeded. Would the next step be to ratify a treaty which further hedged and protected Great Britain? That might satisfy some gentlemen who liked foreign titles and decorations and aristocracy, but it did not suit him, and he would never approve it.

He said this was a serious moment in the senate. It was being tendered a "halter" with which to hang itself for at least five years. The United States had stood by silently while the British had occupied Corinto. And now this proposition of blackmail was presented which threatened to destroy the bill. He expected and awaited a motion to recommit the bill.

Morgan said an inquiry should be started. It was useless for him to propose an inquiry, as the state department would decline to answer. "This movement of Rodriguez was inspired by the British government," exclaimed Mr. Morgan, "and he was sent here for that purpose."

Hale answered that he did not consider the assertion justified. He felt, too, that the word "blackmail" was ill-chosen and that Nicaragua's motive was not open to such insinuations.

Vilas said the communication from the minister of a friendly power added a death blow to the pending canal bill. The senator paid a high tribute to the Central American states, and severely criticised the statement that "blackmail" was implied by the communication just presented. It ill became senators of the great neighboring republic to use such terms toward the republics of the south. The letter of Minister Rodriguez was dignified and respectful, addressed to the proper branch of the government, the state department. He could not believe the senate would disregard this communication of grave importance, coming from the representative of a friendly power.

Yesterday was private bill day in the house, and most of the time was consumed with small bills. The bill to provide for holding terms of the United States court of the eastern district of Texas at the town of Beaumont was passed over the president's veto by a vote of 144 to 68. Incidental to the discussion, Mr. Cooper of Texas remarked that the president vetoed the bill through a misapprehension, and that he had vainly tried to get an audience with Mr. Cleveland to explain the measure.

Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio spoke sarcastically of the president's custom of refusing to see congressmen unless his private secretary approved of their errands.

A bill to pay William P. Buckmaster of St. Louis, the survivor of the Fulton Iron Works company of Brooklyn, $22,000, for work on the warship Otsego, in 1862, was defeated.

Pension bills for the survivors of Gray's battalion of Arkansas volunteers, who served in the Mexican war, and their widows; for the widow of General Green Clay Smith, at $50 a month; the widow of General George J. Leet, at $25, were passed.

After the night pension session, the house adjourned until Monday.

John L. Returns to Boston.

New Bedford, Mass., Jan. 23.—John L. Sullivan, who has been ill of tonsilitis, has recovered and returned to Boston.

Habeas Corpus For Mrs. Dupont.

Boston, Jan. 23.—Judge Barker signed yesterday a writ of habeas corpus to hold Mrs. Annie M. Dupont, accused of embezzlement in New York, in this city until her identity can be established. The case is set for Tuesday morning.

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PRICES FALLING

Dunn's Review of Week Shows Improvement.

THERE IS A LARGER PRODUCTION COMING.

Bradstreets Sees Benefit in Curtailed Output.

New York, Jan. 23.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

There is more business, though not at better prices. It is interesting that almost all prices which change at all are lower than a week ago, and yet business is unquestionably larger. There is larger production, but as yet not as much increase in consumption, and there is a larger buying of materials, but at present only because better prices are expected in the future. A few conspicuous failures during the week have had no material influence. The market for securities is slightly stronger, and yet there is very little doing. The number of hands employed, all industries considered, is slightly larger than a week ago, without adverse change in the rate of wages. All apprehension of foreign disturbances of money markets has passed away, but there is still great caution in making loans. It is a mistake to reckon these as symptoms of depression. On the contrary, in spite of the lower range of prices in important industries, the conditions all indicate larger production and a consumption increasing, not as yet largely, but steadily.

Wheat, corn and cotton exports are the key to the financial situation, and during the past week wheat has declined ¾ cents and corn ⅝ cents, while cotton is unchanged. The price has declined for corn also, although everybody knows that the heavy exports mean relatively more than the exports of wheat. Cotton is unchanged, after ⅛ decline, but the continuing large movement from plantations, and the depression of manufacturing here and abroad, do not encourage high prices. There has been a general reduction in prices of cotton goods, which at present stimulates larger buying.

The woollen industry is as slow as ever, and no real improvement appears in the demand for goods, although, owing to the lateness of the season, there is a little more doing both in spring and in winter goods, without quotable change in prices. The heavy buying of wool mentioned last week has continued, with smaller concerns participating, and is understood to be in anticipation of expected duties, the sales at Boston alone having amounted to 11,856,000 pounds. Quotations have not changed, as yet, although western holders are quite stiff. In boots and shoes the actual shipments from Boston are but 4 per cent less than in January, 1895, and larger than in any other year on record, although there is still the common report that new orders are extremely light. Shops devoted to the making of certain grades of goods are preparing to close, and prices of some grades are a little lower.

The iron industry is engaged in settling relative prices, and the slow operation retards business in many branches, since the future of prices is uncertain. Bessemer pig is a trifle lower at $10.40 at Pittsburg, and grey forge at $9.40, though no further decline has occurred in eastern markets or at Chicago. But the competition of new concerns tempted to manufacture nails by the high prices recently maintained causes slightly lower sales of wire nails at $1.35, and of cut nails at $1.25. The Bar association has been in session to consider the reduction of steel bars to 1 cent, and, in large contracts, even lower, and the billet association has again been called together to meet on the 29th, although there is no prospect of its reorganization, and billets are selling at $15.25 at Pittsburg.

Failures for the week have been 409 in the United States, against 378 last year, and 65 in Canada, against 61 last year.

What Bradstreets Says.

New York, Jan. 23.—Bradstreets today says:

The most encouraging feature of the trade situation this week is the increased demand from manufacturers for wool. The decision of print cloth manufacturers to curtail the output will emphasize recent sales of the heavy surplus stocks, and promises a better market. To these may be added the increase in the volume of domestic bank clearings, a general steadiness of prices and the healthfulness of general trade in almost all departments. Conservatism in granting credits and the preference by retailers and others to buy oftener, but in small quantities, continue to mark the course of business as not before in years. Demand is increasing in almost all lines, with few exceptions, although very slowly. A radical improvement in the near future, based on a slow, but healthful, increased consumptive demand, is, in the absence of unforeseen obstacles, almost a certainty.

Commercial travelers are reported very generally out on the road, yet the volume of business continues small and collections, in many instances, are unsatisfactory. The more active demand is for shoes, hats, groceries, hardware; dry goods and drugs; yet, at such centres as Chicago and St. Louis at the west, Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and Boston at the east, business continues along very conservative lines. Memphis, Nashville and Galveston continue their exceptionally favorable reports, as to demand for staples. Pacific coast ports announce unusually heavy orders for merchandise from Alaska and an improving trade with China and Japan.

Total bank clearings aggregate $1,042,000,000 this week, a decrease of ½ of 1 per cent from last week, but an increase of 6 per cent over the third week of January, 1896; 14 per cent as compared with the corresponding week in 1895, and 25 per cent as compared with the like week in 1894. The third week in January, 1893, presented an unusually large bank clearings total, so that this week's figures indicate a falling off of 29 per cent when compared with the former.

Prices appear to include few, if any, that are higher than a wek ago, while flour, wheat, corn, lard, crude petroleum, tin, bessemer pig iron and steel billets are lower. Wool remains firm at practically unchanged prices, but is likely to advance, if the present demand continues. Leather is also firm and unchanged, as are lumber, cotton, print cloths, pork, coffee and sugar.

An unusually long list of business embarrassments continues a feature of the state of trade of the week, the total of the past six business days being 425, or 49 less than last week, 88 more than in the week a year ago, 117 more than in the corresponding week of 1896, 91 more than in the third week of January, 1894, and 127 more than in the like week of 1893.

The market for securities at New York is firm in tone, and rallies with ease from professional bear selling. Large interests are generally bullish, but are indisposed to force prices up, and London has been inactive, in spite of the decline in the open market for money and the reduction of the Bank of England rate. Outside participation in the market is somewhat improved. Bonds are more active, the investment demand has grown and government bonds are higher. Foreign exchange is irregular and a little lower at 487¼ for demand sterling.

Exports of wheat (flour included as wheat), from both coasts of the United States this week (St. John, N. B., included) amount to 2,916,706 bushels, as compared with 2,948,000 bushels last week, 3,849,000 bushels in the week a year ago, 2,840,000 bushels in the week two years ago and as compared with 2,521,000 bushels in the like week of 1893. Exports of Indian corn this week amount to 3,520,322 bushels, compared with 3,757,000 bushels last week, 3,192,000 bushels in the week a year ago, 695,000 bushels in the week two years ago, 1,865,000 bushels three years ago, and as compared with 735,000 bushels in the like week of 1893.

Big Sales of Wool.

Boston, Jan. 23.—The Boston Commercial Bulletin says of the wool market:

All previous records are broken by this weeks' enormous sales. The last best record week ended July 28, 1894. The large manufacturers of Rhode Island and Massachusetts, and, in many cases, Boston wool dealers, were the principal buyers.

Purchasing is almost entirely on speculation, many of the buyers having a part of their machinery shut down.

Purchases of scoured wool are particularly large. Americans are rushing forward foreign wools into this country. The demand this week has covered every grade of wool, but medium and fine medium wools have sold more freely than fine.

The sales of the week are 7,907,000 pounds domestic and 3,799,000 pounds foreign, against 5,220,600 pounds domestic and 2,040,000 pounds foreign last week, and 1,392,000 pounds domestic and 2,659,000 pounds foreign for the same week last year.

The sales to date show a decrease of 9,754,000 pounds domestic and 2,020,000 pounds foreign from the sales to the same date in 1896.

Receipts to date show a decrease of 2056 bales domestic and 591 bales foreign.

Advance in Wages Demanded.

Concord, N. H., Jan. 23.—A formal demand for a new price list, to go into force March 4, prepared by the local branch of the Granite Cutters' union, has been presented to the granite manufacturers here. It calls for a 2 per cent increase on all classes of work, and that no cutter shall be paid less than $2.65 per day.

Depositors Hold Daily Meetings.

St. Paul, Jan. 23.—The depositors of the failed Minnesota State Savings bank are holding almost daily meetings to consider various proposals for settlement, and many of them have entered a formal protest against the naming of the father of the president of the failed institution as assignee.

Complied With New Hampshire Laws.

Concord, N. H., Jan. 23.—The United Firemen's Insurance company of Philadelphia, with a capital of $300,000, has been admitted to do business in this state, by direction of the insurance commissioner, it having complied with the New Hampshire laws.

Reform Scheme Perfected.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The reform scheme for the island of Cuba has been perfected by the Spanish government, and its promulgation and application is now a matter of but a few days unless some untoward happening disturbs the program. It will not be announced today, however, as was anticipated in some quarters, from the fact that this is the young king's saint day. While the details of the new scheme are withheld from the public as yet, it is believed that their scope is known to the president and to Secretary Olney, and that in their opinion they embody at least a fair measure of reform principles. At present the effort of the Spanish government is to make sure that the plan is acceptable to all parties in Spain and on the island of Cuba, so as to avoid friction in putting the reforms into effect and to guarantee permanence for the system when once it is adopted. The promulgation of the plan, it is thought, will be accompanied or closely followed by the announcement of a general amnesty, extending not only to insurgents now in the field, who may under the existing order of General Weyler receive amnesty upon surrender to any Spanish commander, but also to persons imprisoned in Havana and other Cuban towns, and even in Ceuta and other penal settlements, providing that the offenses charged against them are purely political.

Excitement In Parliament.

London, Jan. 23.—Sir Henry Howorth, Conservative member for the south division of Salford, created a sensation in the house of commons last night by moving an amendment censuring the government for releasing the Irish prisoners convicted of dynamiting. Sir Henry is a Tory, and is master of a biting style of oratory. He spoke of "star chamber," "secret decisions," and used other unpleasant phrases, and also suggested that the dynamiters were shamming madness. Mr. Balfour, the government leader, rose in a white heat, his voice trembling with passion and indignation, as he vehemently repudiated Sir Henry's insinuations, which he declared meant that he himself and his colleagues were unworthy to lead the party.

Granite State Press Association.

Manchester, N. H., Jan. 23.—At the annual meeting of the New Hampshire Press association in this city, yesterday, the following officers were elected: President, Colonel Arthur Clarke, Manchester; vice presidents, O. H. A. Chamberlen, Manchester; Howard F. Hill, Concord; W. H. Topping, Manchester; recording secretary, W. Bourlet, Concord; corresponding secretary, S. C. Gould, Manchester; treasurer, Thomas W. Lane, Manchester; executive committee, Hon. William Clark, Manchester; John M. Hill, Concord; Hon. Henry Putney, Manchester; auditors, Edson C. Eastman, Concord; James M. Adams, Nashua. Edward S. Pearson of Concord and O. F. Livingston of Manchester were appointed as delegates to attend the next meeting of the National Press association.

AYER'S HAIR VIGOR PRESERVES THE Natural Color of the Hair

THE BRAM TRIAL

Arguments Begun on Motion for New Trial.

THE POINTS RAISED BY THE DEFENCE.

Judge, Jury and Prosecution Criticized.

Boston, Jan. 23.—The third day of the hearing of argument and evidence on the petition by Bram's counsel for a new trial ended seemingly without material change in the situation.

One of the most important points developed by the morning testimony was thought to be the admission obtained by Mr. Cotter from Abel C. Ford of Hyde Park, another of the jurors in the trial, to the effect that, prior to his being drawn on the jury, he had held a conversation with Sylvanus B. Coffin, concerning the Herbert Fuller murders, during which he (the witness) said: "I think they have got the right man now," referring to the defendant Bram.

Oliver J. Briggs, the juror against whom Mr. Cotter has been directing the most powerful guns in his battery, was also put upon the stand yesterday morning. The fact that he had found a newspaper one evening during the trial in the elevator, as the jury were leaving the federal building, put it in his pocket and took it down to the Quincy house to the quarters occupied by the jury, seemed to be the most important evidence elicited from him.

He denied having read the paper, or having been at all separated from the other members of the jury while the paper was in his possession, a period of about 15 minutes.

These two witnesses had been called by the district attorney, and were the only ones to give testimony on the government side.

Mr. Cotter explained that the new witnesses whom he had hoped to secure turned out, on investigation, to be two men who had already been subpoenaed and had given their evidence.

Mr. Cotter then recalled Foreman Jack, but the court refused to allow the questions put to him, which had reference to the "Free Mason" episode, and to the expression imputed to Juror Briggs that he would like to assist at Bram's execution.

Daniel W. Bond was also recalled, and repeated his testimony, the court declining to permit Mr. Cotter to examine the witness on anything outside of the testimony he gave previously.

Mr. Cotter announced that that closed the case in support of the motion.

Lawyer French objected to the admission of any evidence on the part of the government, but the court ruled against him.

Mr. Ford denied that he had said to Sylvanus B. Coffin, or in his presence, that Bram ought to be hanged.

Mr. Cotter asked the witness if he had not spoken to Frank Radford, in presence of Mr. Coffin, that he believed Bram guilty, and he answered that he had no recollection of having done so.

He admitted, however, that he had expressed an opinion to some one of his shopmates in regard to the case in advance of the trial.

Mr. French, for Bram, consumed the afternoon arguing for a new trial. He criticised the action of the jury, which, he said, vitiated the verdict, and also criticised Judge Webb's rulings and District Attorney Hoar's argument before the case was given to the jury.

District Attorney Hoar will argue against a new trial today.

Settlement of Union Pacific Debt.

New York, Jan. 23.—Announcement is made by the Union Pacific reorganization committee that it has come to an agreement with the government, in accordance with which the latter has begun foreclosure proceedings of its lien upon the Union Pacific lines, inclusive of the Kansas Pacific lines. The reorganization committee guarantees a minimum bid of something over $45,000,000 for the government's claim upon the railroad, and for the government Union Pacific sinking fund, and has deposited $4,500,000 as earnest money. Kuhn, Loeb & Co., bankers, for the reorganization committee, have assured to the committee the funds required to carry its agreement with the government into effect.

Biggest Bicyclist.

Hinsdale, N. H., Jan. 23.—Robert W. Blanchard, the "boy giant" of this town, has contracted to ride at bicycle race meets the coming season, under patronage of a wheel concern. Blanchard is 16 years old, stands 6 feet and 2 inches in his stockings and tips the balances at 400 pounds. He claims to be the champion big boy of his age in the country. He played centre rush for a football team here last season, and proved a substantial man in that position.

Dutcher Murder Case.

St. John, N. B., Jan. 23.—In the Dutcher murder trial, John F. Sullivan, the prisoner, went on the stand in his own behalf. According to his testimony, Sullivan was not in the locality anywhere near the time of the murder. In cross-examination, in reply to a question, he declared: "As God is my judge, I never molested the Dutchers in my life."

Columbia In It.

New York, Jan. 23.—The alumni and undergraduates of Columbia college held an enthusiastic meeting yesterday and adopted a resolution to the effect that the Columbia should be represented by a crew in the triangular race to be held at Poughkeepsie, in which crews from Cornell, Pennsylvania and Harvard will compete.

Assaulted by Masked Man.

Williamsport, Pa., Jan. 23.—Miss Stevens, a school teacher at Cherry Hill, was the victim of a fiendish assault by a masked man Thursday, and as a consequence is in a critical condition. The assault took place in the schoolroom, just after the scholars had been dismissed for the day. The villain made his escape.

Miss McKinley Injured.

Canton, O., Jan. 22.—Miss Helen McKinley, the president-elect's sister, slipped and fell on the icy sidewalk, near the McKinley home, yesterday. One of the bones in her right wrist was broken.

Dixon Defeats Murphy.

New York, Jan. 23.—George Dixon, the well-known colored pugilist of Boston, defeated Billy Murphy of Cincinnati in six rounds last night at the Broadway Athletic club.

DARING HOLD-UP

In the Highland District Last Evening.

MISS E. C. GREENE, THE ARTIST, THE LOSER

Of a Pocketbook and Some Keys.

Two highwaymen snatched a pocketbook from Miss. Ella C. Greene as she walked along Westford street, near Dover, about 6 o'clock last evening. Both immediately escaped in the direction of Middlesex street. The pocket-book contained $9, some keys and a ticket between Lowell and Concord.

About the same time a pocket-book was snatched from a woman in Dover street.

Delia Marnel of 640 Market street lost her pocket-book containing $34, on Friday in the same way.

FIRE ON KEENE STREET

FINNICK'S BAKERY AND BARN BURNED.

A Horse Burned in the Barn—Fire Started From an Overheated Oven.

Finnick's bakery and barn were destoyed by fire at 1.45 this morning.

The structure is located on Keene street and the blaze caught from an overheated oven.

When the fire department arrived a lively blaze was in progress and it was given greater headway because the men were unable to locate the hydrants on Walnut street. The insurance amounted to about $1500 or $2000.

SOME MILL NEWS.

Merrimack Company Makes an Addition To Its Plush Room.

The Merrimack Manufacturing company has erected an addition to its plush room which practically gives it another entire floor. The new room will be opened one week from Monday.

The men who were laid off by the Lowell Machine Shop company a few weeks ago have not returned to work yet.

A portion of the finishing department of the Merrimack company is running overtime.

Many of the weaving looms in the Massachusetts are running heavy work, which is very tiring on women, in particular.

POLICE NOTES.

Liquor Inspector Goodwin found a small pocketbook containing change which the woman can have by proving property at the police station.

Police Court—Hadley, J.

Six drunks, but no sentences.

Edward Desrosiers was in recently for fraudulent conveyance and since then he threatened the complainant in the case. This morning he was fined $1 and put under $100 to keep the peace.

Steamer Burning.

Harve, France, Jan. 23—The British steamer, Loriflamme went aground Jan. 20 and afterwards took fire. It is still burning and is a serious danger to navigation. There are five thousand tons of petroleum on board and explosions are feared.

ADMITTED PERJURY.

In a Case Involving Murder at Portland, Me.

Portland, Me., Jan. 23.—Leslie A. Kenison pleaded guilty to assault and battery and perjury in the superior court yesterday. Three weeks ago, so Kenison acknowledged in court, he struck Mark Bachelder of Sebago over the head with a sled stake during a row. Bachelder was found dead the next morning beside the road, but Kenison was only indicted for assault with a dangerous weapon. This was changed to simple assault, to which Kenison pleaded guilty. Before the coroner's jury, Kenison did not tell the truth about the row with Bachelder, and so he was indicted for perjury, to which he also pleaded guilty. Miss Bertha L. Chaplin, who was also indicted for perjury before the coroner's jury in the Kenison case, pleaded guilty. She said Walter Martin had asked her to falsify her evidence to save Kenison from going to jail. Martin committed suicide during the session of the coroner's jury. Miss Chaplin and Kenison will be sentenced later.

FITS CURED

(From U. S. Journal of Medicine.)

Prof. W. H. Peeke, who makes a specialty of Epilepsy, has without doubt treated and cured more cases than any living Physician; his success is astonishing. We have heard of cases of 20 years' standing cured by him. He publishes a valuable work on this disease which he sends with a large bottle of his absolute cure, free to any sufferer who may send their P. O. and Express address. We advise anyone wishing a cure to address, Prof. W. H. PEEKE, F. D., 4 Cedar St., New York

GRAND

Literary and Musical Entertainment

At Associate Hall

Wednesday, January, 27th, 1897.

Rev. George C. Lorimer, D. D.

will give an oration; subject:

"ROBERT BURNS, the Poet of the People,"

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Mr. Weston as Felix Featherstone

Preceded each performance by the charming one-act play,

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Special Engagement of

MISS ROSE STAHL

As "PAULINE," in

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Tickets now on sale.

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Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 21, 22, 23, and Saturday Matinee.

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Big Extravaganza and Burlesque Co.

25 People. A Carload of Scenery. 16 Beautiful and Shapely Girls, Comedians, Singers, Dancers, Acrobats and Elegant Costumes, all introduced in two new burlesques entitled:

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Spirit Power illustrated in full light, few reserved seats now on sale. Sacred music by full orchestra.

Prices, 15, 25, 35 and 50 cents.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, January 25, 26, 27, with Wednesday Matinee.

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Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets, cure a cold in the head in one day. Cut price at Goodale's Drug Store, 217 Central street.

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WANTED—By a young man who is well educated in English and French languages, would like a position of any kind. Address J. E. P., 33 King street.

TO LET—A tenement of five rooms conveniently located. Apply at John McKeown's, 4 rear of 81 Chapel street.

LOST—In this city, a coupon receipt book, belonging to the Singer Mfg. Co. The finder will be rewarded by leaving the same at 187 Middlesex street.

LADIES TO WRITE for us at home, No canvassing. Reply, enclosing stamp, Silver Peru Co., Aurora, Indiana.

TO LET—Sunny five room tenement on Moody street. Enquire at 621 Merrimack street.

TO LET—Very pleasant and sunny room newly furnished at 404 Bridge street.

GOOD INVESTMENT.—500 shares stock in active company for sale at $4 per share; must be sold to settle estate. Address post office box 1604, Boston.

FOR SALE—In Centralville, five minutes walk from mills, good cottage house of seven rooms; in good repair. If you are looking for a home this will suit you. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

FOR SALE—On Wilder street, twostory two tenement house. This is a bargain. Price $3000. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

WANTED—Your child to have Rosy Cheeks, Pure Blood, to rest well. Get a box of the Alban Worm and Scrofula Tablets at all druggists. Price 25c., prepaid, by the Lowell Chemistry Co.

FOR SALE—On Middlesex street, lot of land of 7300 feet, corner of streets. Price 10 cents per foot. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

LADIES—Chichester's English Pennyroyal Pills (Diamond Brand) are the best. Safe, reliable. Take no other. Send 4c. stamps, for particulars. "Relief for Ladies," in letter by return mail. At Druggists. Chichester Chemical Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

DR. CATON'S TANSY PILLS for Ladies never fail. Get the genuine and avoid disappointment. $1, all druggists or direct. DR. R. F. CATON, Boston, Mass.

FOR SALE—In Pawtucketville, good 7 room cottage house, large lot of land near new bridge. Call and look over it at once. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

ALL LADIES having a few hours leisure each day should write me at once, regarding pleasant home work which easily pays $18 weekly. This is no deception and will certainly pay you to investigate. Reply with stamped envelop, Mrs. S. A. Stebbins, Lawrence, Mich.

WANTED—500 young and old men to bring their old clothes to Fred. P. Lew's Dye house and Clothes Cleaning establishment at 477 Merrimack street, where he can make your old suit as good as new for a small sum.

FOR SALE—On Nashua road a good farm of 20 acres, lots of fruit, good two tenement house, good barn. This is a good chance if you want to get you a home. Price $2000. G. L. Hubbard, 44 Central street.

LADIES, my monthly regulator has brought happiness to hundreds of anxious women. I have never had a single failure; no other doctor can say this. Longest cases relieved in 2 to 5 days without fail; no pain, no danger, no interference with work; price $2; by mail or at office; consultation free; all letters truthfully answered. DR. TOLMAN, 170 Tremont street, Boston.

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Boston and Maine Railroad

Winter Arrangement.

WESTERN DIVISION.

Corrected to Oct. 4, 1896.

TRAINS LEAVE MIDDLESEX STREET DEPOT, LOWELL.

For Boston, at 6.50, 8.15, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 12.45, 2.30, 3.20, 4.05, 5.10, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m.; 12.05, 4.15, 5.30, 7.25 p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.40, 4.05, 5.10, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30, †11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m., 12.05, 5.30, 7.25 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.30, 6.50, 8.30, 9.25 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.40, 4.05, 5.10, 6.15, 7.00, 9.30, †11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m., 12.05, 5.30, 7.25 p. m.

For Salem and Lynn, 12.05, 5.10 p. m.

For Newburyport and Amesbury, 6.30 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 4.05, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.50, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.40, 4.05, 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 4.05 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Salmon Falls, Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.50, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 4.05, 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Lewiston, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.10 p. m.

For Bangor, Belfast, and way stations, 8.30 a. m., 5.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Skowhegan and Rockland, 8.30 a. m.

For St. John, N. B., Halifax, N. S., and the Provinces, 5.10 p. m.; except Saturday. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, 8.30 a. m., 5.10 p. m. (5.10 does not run Saturdays); SUNDAY, 5.30 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (per steamer), on Mondays, 12.05 p. m.

For Castine Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport and Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones, from Rockland), last trip for season, Dec. 25, '96.

†Wednesdays and Saturdays only.

Southern Division.

On and After Oct. 4, 1896, Trains Leave Merrimack Street Depot, Lowell, as Follows:

For Boston, 5.45, 6.30, ‡6.55, *7.45, *8.50, ‡9.00, *9.40, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, ‡3.00, 4.25, ‡5.35 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.45 a. m.

Trains Leave Middlesex Street Station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.49, 6.33, ‡6.53, 7.41, 7.18, *7.37, 7.83, *7.48, *8.57, 9.03, *9.19, 11.03, 11.42 a. m., 12.16, 1.43, ‡3.03, *3.58, 4.00, 4.28, 5.22, 5.38, 6.21, 7.51 p. m. SUNDAYS, *7.18, *7.27, 8.48, *9.19 a. m.; 4.28, 5.58 p. m.

For Woburn, 6.30, 7.01, 7.33, 7.45, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.28, p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m., 4.25, 5.00 p. m.

*Express. †Via Bedford.

For Lawrence, 6.30, 10.00 a. m.; 4.15 p. m.

For Salem, and Way Stations, 7.33 a. m.; 1.26, 5.53 p. m.

For Ayer Junction, and Way Stations, 7.18 a. m.; 12.06, 5.00 and 5.42 p. m. SUNDAYS 2.16 p. m.

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.13 a. m.; 1.00, 3.43, 5.40 p. m. SUNDAYS 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro', Bennington, Hillsboro' and Keene, 9.13 a. m. and 3.43 p. m. SUNDAYS, to Greenfield, 2.00 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.40, 9.13, 9.40, 10.10 a. m.; 12.09, 1.00, 1.40, 3.43, 5.40, 6.17, 8.13, 8.40 p. m. SUNDAYS 10.00 a. m. (to Nashua only) 5.08 a. m., 2.00, 6.02, 8.12, 8.40 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon and White River Junction, 9.13, 9.40 a. m.; 12.09, 1.40 (to Franklin only), 5.40, 18.13 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.), Claremont and Claremont Junction—7.40, 9.13 a. m.; 1.40 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville via Wells River—9.40 a. m.; 1.40, 18.40 p. m.

For Montpelier, Montreal, Essex Junction, Burlington and St. Albans, via Central Vermont line—9.40 a. m.; 12.09, †8.13 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air Line—9.40 a. m.; †8.40 p. m.

Quebec Express via Plymouth and Sherbrooke—1.40, 8.40 p. m., daily except Sunday.

† Daily for Montreal.

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LADIES' SKATING BOOTS,

Former price $2.50.

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Wonder price 75c.

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THE WEATHER.

Sun rises—7:06; sets, 4:48.
Length of day—9h. 42m.
Moon rises—10:41 p. m.
Full sea—2:15 a. m., 2:45 p. m.
Forecast for New England: Light local snows, followed by partly cloudy weather; winds shifting to westerly, becoming brisk and high; decidedly colder tonight.

LOCAL NEWS.

Always wins, Old Hundred.

T. C. Lee, fire insurance. Donovan bl'd.

Elegant rubber tired hacks at O'Donnell's, Jefferson street. Telephone 439-9.

American Social Forces will be discussed at the Unity Guild, Church street, tomorrow evening.

Purchasing Agent Barnard intends to call for bids on 200 ton six inch cast iron pipe and 150 barrels of flour.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fox of Rock street were presented a Brussels carpet by a party of their friends last night.

If your coal does not suit you, try Mullin, the 1013 Gorham street coal dealer. You can get him by telephone connection.

Hathorn water universally admitted to be the finest cathartic and alterative on the market. John M. Fevey, 55 and 57 Middle street, sole agent.

The Scotch people are to have a rich and rare treat Wednesday evening at Associate hall, there will be a literary program and the subject will be Robert Burns, the people's poet. See ad in this paper.

Buy good clean Coal, D. W. Horne & Son, 15 Central street.

BOWLING NEWS.

The Big Five defeated the police in the city tournament last night 2238 to 2200, and the Swift & Bailey's won from the Merrimack's, 2202 to 2190.

In the Vesper tournament Team Nine won from Team Six, 2092 to 2027.

B. B. C. DANCE.

125 Couples Enjoyed Themselves in Highland Hall.

It was a merry party the B. B. C. held in Highland hall last evening and 125 couple enjoyed in the enticing dance. From 8 to 9 o'clock there was a concert and following this came the grand march, led by John Mellen and Miss Clara Whitworth, Edwin F. Nolin and Miss Gertrude Lefevre, Frank Reeves and Miss Maria Trudeau, Arthur Dery and Miss Rose Diotte.

The officers: general manager, Frank Reeves; assistant general manager Arthur Dery; treasurer, Edwin F. Nolin; floor director, John J. Mellen; assistant floor director, Sylva Charron; aids, Joseph Damarais, Arthur Baldwin, George Bancour, Henry Gaudette, P. Hannigan

HIGH SCHOOL SOLDIERS

Held Their Annual Party in Highland Club Hall Last Night.

The annual party of the officers of the Rowell High School regiment was held in the hall of the Highland club last evening and about 60 couples enjoyed it, including many military men. The hall was simply but prettily decorated in the national colors.

Hibbard's orchestra furnished music for dancing and an order of 20 numbers was enjoyed, the dance continuing until 1 o'clock.

The march was led by Cadet Col. James F. Monaghan and Miss Mary Phelan, who were followed by Regimental Adjutant F. J. Libbey and Miss Harriet Richardson.

The matrons of the evening were Mrs. S. W. Thurlow, Mrs. J. F. Monaghan, Miss Susie L. D. Watson and Mrs. C. E. Paige, Col. Monaghan was floor manager, and he was assisted by the following corps of aids:

Maj. Coburn of the 1st Battalion, Capt. Spear of Co. B, Capt. Caverly of Co. D, Capt. Gray of Co. F, Capt. Thurlow of Co. A, Capt. Mitten of Co. C, Capt. Waugh of Co. E, Lieut. Phelan of Co. A and Lieut. Howarth of Co. B.

Among those present from out of town were Captain Keene of Lynn, Captain Nutter of Chelsea, Lieutenant Witherell, Captain Lomes, Major Procter, Adjutant Brunell and Captain Rowe of Gloucester, Cadet Engineer J. H. Meehan of the American liner New York, Major Merrill of Lynn and Private J. A. Reardon, U. S. N., Captain Greig of Co. C, Mechanic Phalanx, the regimental instructor, represented the local military companies.

THEATRICAL NEWS.

Savoy Theatre.

Tonight and this afternoon will be the last chances to see the great double bill now being presented, and all who have not seen it, should go today. Mr. Weston in the curtain raiser, "One Touch of Nature," gives one of his greatest performances, and his friends should endeavor to witness it. The comedy of "Snowball" is a great laughmaker, and keeps the audiences in a roar, till it is finished. The two plays make a fine bill and a very entertaining performance. Next week the management have secured a great treat for their patrons, and that is the reappearance of the great favorite Miss Rose Stahl, who has kindly consented to play a two weeks' engagement. The coming week she will play "Pauline" in the "The Lady of Lyons," and all her old friends will be present to give her a royal welcome.

Music Hall.

The big burlesque company at Music hall will give its last performance this afternoon and evening. The attendance has been immense and tonight it is expected standing room will be at a premium, so funny are the burlesquers.

Tomorrow evening the show by Prof. Barral on Spiritualism will attract a full house. Last Sunday 900 people had bought seats in advance, and tomorrow the number will be limited only by the size of the house. The professor will be assisted by a company and a program of sacred music will be given.

Manager Boody of Music hall takes pleasure in announcing Fred Rider's new Night Owl Burlesquers as his attraction for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 25, 26 and 27. This sterling attraction of merit has met with instant success everywhere and presents the best burlesque and vaudeville talent in America in a pleasing burlesque satire, entitled "A Pack of Cards." Georgeous scenic and spectacular effects abound in plenty, while the pretty girls are costumed in magnificent splendor.

Les Miserables bowling alleys and billiard hall now open. East Merrimack street.

Sugar. Sugar. Sugar.

22 pounds of the best granulated sugar for $1. Delivered free to our tea and coffee customers. Dickson Bros., the big tea dealers, 63 Merrimack Street.

Dr. Coburn DENTIST 81 MERK ST.

FIRE INSURANCE

Beyond the Value of Property Responsible

FOR MANY OF THE INCENDIARY FIRES.

Companies Should be Held Partly Responsible.

Fortunately incendiaries do not commit crimes ordinarily for the pleasure of seeing things burn. Their criminal instincts have first to be incited by considerations of gain, and if not so incited remain latent and innocuous. Incendiarism for the insurance is merely a phase of the same criminal instinct which promotes robbery, burglary and trusts. If it were not for insurance there would be no such incendiarism. Indeed if it were not for over-insurance there would be no such incendiarism.

Are the insurance companies, then, free from complicity? Are they and their practices not responsible for the circumstance that the fire loss of New York city in proportion to the population is greater than that of any European city by at least fourfold? If these companies refused to place $5000 policies on $500 stocks, then $500 stocks would not be burned in order to secure the proceeds of $5000 policies. Why would it not be a good idea to compel them to more closely estimate the values of property to be insured before the insurance is placed? Why would it not be a good idea to punish them by forfeiting the excess to the state in every case of over-insurance.

In France they deal with this subject by refusing to permit insurance to be in force as to fires which start on the premises. This would hardly do for America, where the benefits of fire insurance are so appreciated; but it would do to limit the amount that any man could recover to not more than three-fourths of the cash value of his property, to be determined by a jury of three or six, and only then provided the jury finds the fire was not incendiary. Will the companies favor and support such a measure?

Meanwhile, if we do not have a fire marshal or a system of juries to decide the causes of fires and the value of the property destroyed, and if the companies continue, as at present, to write policies for any amount without taking steps to ascertain that the property is worth that amount, how can we escape the conclusion that companies which do these things and which could, but do not, obtain legislation such as we have outlined for the protection of the public against the abuses of insurance, are themselves in every instance accomplices in incendiarism before the fact?

What is true of New York is true of Lowell and of all other American cities in regard to the relation between over insurance and incendiary fires.

THE 81ST ANNIVERSARY

OF THE FOUNDATION OF THE OBLATE ORDER.

Will Be Observed Monday—Rev. James McGrath, O. M. I., Visiting in Lowell—Charity Festival Netted $600—Rev. Fr. O'Riordan, O. M. I., is No Better—Rev. Fr. Dacey, O. M. I., in Buffalo.

Monday will be the eighty-first anniversary of the foundation of the order of Mary Immaculate or Oblate order. The great event will be quietly observed by the priests of the Immaculate Conception, Sacred Heart, St. Joseph's and St. Jean Baptiste churches.

Rev. James McGrath, O. M. I., of the Holy Angels church, Buffalo, N. Y., is spending a few days at the Immaculate Conception parochial residence in this city. He will preach the sermon at the Immaculate Conception church tomorrow morning. Fr. McGrath was formerly pastor of the Immaculate Conception church and was also provincial of the Oblate order, his successor being the present provincial Very Rev. Fr. Guillard, O. M. I.

Tomorrow will be the feast of the Holy Family.

Rev. F. O'Roirdan, O. M. I., is still ill at St. John's hospital and shows no signs of any great improvement.

Rev. William D. Joyce, O. M. I., attended the funeral of the late Rev. Michael Oates, C. S. S. R., in Roxbury this morning. The funeral service was held in the Mission church.

The festival conducted by the Ladies' Aid society of the Immaculate Conception church netted the organization about $600. Rev. Fr. Joyce, O. M. I., and the ladies of the society feel gratified at the fine result and desire to thank all those who assisted in making the festival a success.

Rev. Fr. Reynolds, O. M. I., has been formally installed as spiritual director and treasurer of the Y. M. C. I.

Rev. Fr. Dacey, O. M. I., is now well settled in Buffalo, N. Y., and writes that he likes the place very well. He will visit Lowell about July.

The Carnation carnival of the Catholic Lyceum will be held in Huntington hall next Thursday evening.

MEETING

To Advocate Municipal Ownership of Electric Plants.

There will be a meeting in Jackson hall Wednesday evening, Jan. 27, at 8 o'clock sharp, of all voters who are in favor of the city of Lowell constructing or purchasing electric and gas light plants in this city, and having the profits therefrom reduce th taxes and burdens of the people.

Statue of Butler.

In the House yesterday Mr. Hayes of this city had taken from last year's files the resolve appropriating $50,000 for a statue of General Butler. It was referred to the committee on military affairs.

Beecham's pills for constipation 10¢ and 25¢. Get the book at your druggist's and go by it.

Annual sales more than 6,000,000 boxes.

Castoria and all patent medicines at lowest prices at Goodale's Drug Store, 217 Central street.



THE RECORD OF

Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

WANT TO BE TEACHERS

FORTY-FOUR LADIES TAKE THE EXAMINATION.

Different Arrangement of Seats—Class Divided in Two Sections—No Chance to "Cheat"—Probably Ten Will be Admitted to the Training School—Little Chance to Get Schools.

At the High school yesterday afternoon forty-four young ladies took the examination for entrance to the training school.

Some of them desire to teach in the kindergarten school while the majority want a training as regular teachers. Of those who took the examination half a dozen tried before, two others are Carney *medal scholars* and several are evening school teachers.

The studies taken up yesterday were arithmetic and music. The former was written while the latter was both written and oral. Dr. Rix was present and conducted the oral examination in music and the written examination consisted of a set of ten questions prepared by the supervisor of music.

Today the young ladies are being examined in grammar, history, writing, spelling, drawing and geography. The class is so large that it was deemed advisable to divide it and accordingly 25 sat in one room while 19 went into another class room.

The young ladies occupied alternate seats. This arrangement was brought about by the rumors of "cheating" that were circulated after the last examination. Some of those who were "left" made a general charge of "cheating" but were careful not to specify any particular young lady or ladies. These stories reached Supt. Whitcomb and he decided to take steps that would not admit of such a report being circulated again.

The examination this year is being conducted by Supt. Whitcomb, Truant Commissioner Williams and F. E. Woodward of the High school corps of teachers. The papers on music will be corrected by Dr. Rix, the penmanship papers by Thomas M. Graves, and those on drawing by Miss *Underhill*. All other papers will be corrected by Supt. Whitcomb.

The committee on teachers will meet probably Tuesday evening to decide on the admission rank.

Supt. Whitcomb said yesterday: "I do not think that more than ten pupils can be accommodated at the training school. And that will be a pretty large class. At the present rate it will be a great while before some of the young ladies become regular teachers, for while we are admitting and training twenty pupil teachers a year, the average number of vacancies is only about four a year. The last class that entered the training school I am told, is "doing remarkably well."

MATRIMONIAL.

On Wednesday evening last, at 7.30 o'clock, a very pretty wedding occurred at the parochial residence of the Immaculate Conception church, when Mr. Joseph Brady, a popular member of the Y. M. C. I. of Centralville, was united in marriage to Miss Georgiana E. Boyers, a popular young lady of Centralville. Rev. Fr. Reynolds was the officiating clergyman. Miss Catharine Duffy attended the bride, and Mr. Stephen Dempsey acted in a like capacity for the groom. A reception was afterwards held at the residence of Mrs. Duffy, 32 Keene street. The young couple were the recipients of numerous presents.

McKinley-Donovan.

Chairman James McKinley of the overseers of the poor was married recently to Miss Emma B. Donovan at the home of the bride in Craftsbury, Vt. They will reside on the Meadow Road.

Fr. Forget Can Not Return.

Petitions asking for the return of Rev. D. N. Forget, O. M. I., to this city were forwarded to the superior of the Oblate order in Paris. Answer was received saying it will hardly be possible for him to return.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

The 33d annual diner of the Dartmouth College association of New York was held at the Waldorf last night.

George W. Paul of Newfields, N. H., has been appointed county commissioner, vice Charles P. Griffin, deceased.

There is no truth in the report that Comptroller of the Currency Eckels will accept the presidency of a Chicago trust company in process of formation.

Four men who attempted to rob Henry Pinkus' bank in New York were taken to state prison today, having been indicted, tried and sentenced in less than 24 hours.

The Hockanum Woolen company of Rockville, Conn., has shipped to Canton, O., a piece of worsted goods, to be used in President-elect McKinley's inaugural suit.

Fred Rouffeau, aged 12 years, and a companion named LeChance, broke through the ice while skating at Fall River, Mass. The latter was rescued, but Rouffeau was drowned.

The report of the treasurer of the county of Rockingham, N. H., for the year just closed, shows the receipts to have been $125,711.34; disbursements, $117,662.83. The net indebtedness of the county is $179,451.49.

Twenty prominent Philadelphians, who look upon the pending arbitration treaty with Great Britain as a highly desirable diplomatic agreement between that nation and this, will join in a formal memorial to the United States senate in a few days.

The United States circuit court of appeals has affirmed the decree appointing C. U. Bell receiver of the Lake National bank of Wolfboro, N. H., and granting a mandamus to persons having possession of the bank's property to turn it over to the receiver.

The annual reunion and dinner of the Massachusetts Agricultural College Alumni club of Massachusetts was held in Boston last night. The following officers were elected: President, C. L. Flint; secretary, H. N. Legate; treasurer, W. S. Leland; directors, Dr. J. A. Cutter, J. B. Lindsay and E. S. Jones.

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TROUBLE IN LYNN

A Woman Caught in Man's Room

BY HER HUSBAND AND A DETECTIVE.

The Wife of Mr. Jones a Shoe Manufacturer.

Lynn, Jan. 23.—Mrs. A. H. Jones, wife of the well known shoe manufacturer, was arrested last night, in company with C. J. Witheraux, a traveling salesman. They were arrested in Witheraux' room at a hotel. Mr. Jones employed a detective to watch his wife, and she was seen to enter her paramour's room. The detective informed Jones that his wife was in Witheraux' room, and it was decided to break in the door. Jones secured the assistance of his brother, Valurous K., and in company with the officer and an assistant, broke in the door. They say they found Witheraux and Mrs. Jones in a compromising position.

In the police station Mrs. Jones became *hysterical and fainted*. There Witheraux and Mrs. Jones declared that they are innocent of any wrong-doing, and that their arrest is part of a conspiracy on the part of the husband, who wishes to secure a divorce. They were bailed out by Michael R. Connolly, a broker.

The case will be called in court this morning, when Mrs. Jones and Witheraux will be arraigned for adultery.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones have been married about 10 years, she being his second wife. They have no children. Their troubles have been a constant topic of sub rosa discussion in Lynn for a long time past, and the culmination is the talk of the city. A long and bitter legal fight is anticipated.

Up to within a short time they lived on Broad street, a fashionable part of the city. Their giving up housekeeping caused a small world of comment.

It is said in police circles that Witheraux hails from Providence, and there are hints of recent trips to that city that may figure in the case.

Reform Club Meets.

Boston, Jan. 23.—The Massachusetts Reform club, at its regular monthly meeting last night, discussed the Cuban question, Hon. Perry Belmont of New York, Professor Vane of Harvard and John E. Russell of Leicester being the principal speakers. The club adopted resolutions urging upon the Massachusetts senators and representatives the necessity of a speedy passage of the Anglo-American arbitration treaty. The club also adopted a resolution condemning the proposed change in the state ballot.

Shoe Manufacturers Protest.

Boston, Jan. 23.—A number of shoe manufacturers of the state have signed a petition to the legislature remonstrating against any appropriation that will tend to the extension of the present work in the manufacture of boots and shoes in the Massachusetts state prison or any other state institution. The prison commissioners have asked for the appropriation this year of $325,000 for the maintenance of the industry at the state prison, and $50,000 for the same use at the reformatory at Concord.

Famine in Rhodesia.

London, Jan. 23.—A Cape Town dispatch says that reports have been received there that famine exists in Rhodesia. Thousands of terribly emaciated native women besiege the native office at Buluwayo, clamoring piteously for food. The natives are flocking to Buluwayo and exhuming the carcasses of cattle which died from rinderpest, and which were buried six months ago. They devour these, and, as consequence, a terrible mortality prevails among them.

Lynn's "Scoleyites" Fined.

Lynn, Jan. 23.—The four young men who arranged the recent exhibition at which colored women were the chief attraction were fined $225 yesterday by Judge Berry.

New Revenue Cutter Launched.

Boston, Jan. 23.—The new revenue cutter Daniel Manning was successfully launched from the yard of the Atlantic works, East Boston, yesterday afternoon.

Minister Cremated.

Attleboro, Mass., an. 23.—Rev. E. Freeman Nute of West Attleboro, aged 79 years, died Thursday, and his body was cremated at Forest Hills yesterday.

American Wins Suit.

Pretoria, Jan. 23.—The high court has decided in favor of the American engineer, R. E. Brown, who sued the government for a declaration of rights in his favor respecting certain claims at Witfontein, or in default, demanding *the payment of £1,000,000*. The suit arose from the government proclaiming Witfontein to be open for gold mining on a certain date, whereupon Mr. Brown pegged out large blocks of claims. But in the meantime the government withdrew the proclamation and afterwards proclaimed Witfontein under the lottery law.

Judgment For World's Fair Committee.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—A judgment for $84,009, in favor of the World's Columbian exposition committee, has been filed in Judge Burke's court against the Ferris Wheel company. The judgment is for the World's Fair company's share of the gate receipts during the exposition.

End of Charter Oak Company.

Hartford, Jan. 23.—Business affairs of the Charter Oak Life Insurance company, which have been in the hands of receivers for upwards of 10 years, were wound up yesterday. The receivers will distribute $105,747.21 among the stockholders, who will receive a final dividend of 3¼ per cent.

AGAINST TRUSTS.

A Bill Now in the Massachusetts Legislature for That Purpose.

Boston, Jan. 23.—A bill was introduced in the legislature to provide for the punishment of persons, copartnerships or corporations forming pools, trusts and combines. These bodies are legally defined, and any corporation, copartnership or individual entering any combination to fix or regulate the price of any article of merchandise, or the amount or quantity of any article, shall be adjudged guilty of a conspiracy to defraud, *and shall be subject to indictment*. The issue of trust certificates and formation of combinations are prohibited. Violations of this act are to be punished by fines ranging from $500 to $15,000, for the company or corporation, while the officer or agent of a company or any individual violating it may be punished by a fine of not less than $200 nor more than $1000, or by *confinement* in the state prison not to exceed one year, or by both. One section declares all contracts and agreements in violation of the act absolutely void.

A bill to amend the system of government of towns of less than 5000 inhabitants was also introduced.

The ways and means committee reported favorably a bill appropriating $250,000 for the extermination of tuberculosis in this state, to be used by the board of cattle commissioners.

A resolve providing an appropriation of $30,000 for a statue of Major General Nathaniel P. Banks was referred.

The Butler statue proposition, which aroused such bitter antagonism in the last legislature, was taken from the files and referred to the committee on military affairs.

A bill amending poor debtor proceedings was introduced. It provides that where the debtor has property not exceeding $100, he shall be allowed to take the oath. At present the limit is $20.

In the senate, a bill was introduced to prevent the issuance of liquor licenses to inns having less than 25 rooms.

District Y. M. C. A. Meeting.

Beverly, Mass., Jan. 23.—The second district conference of the Y. M. C. A. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island began last night with a reception and banquet to delegates at the Dane Street Congregational church. Walter J. Paine, president of the local society, presided, and the 75 delegates were welcomed by Rev. A. B. Coats, in behalf of the pastors. Short responses were made by H. B. Beesom of Reading, J. W. Cauley of Stoneham, L. B. Breer of Lynn and Matthew Robson of Salem. After the banquet, delegates addressed meetings in the churches as follows: Dane Street church, General Secretary George L. Day of Lynn, with delegates from Lynn and Gloucester; Washington Street church, General Secretary F. L. Starrett of Malden, with delegates from Malden and Everett; Baptist church, General Secretary R. W. Matthews of Melrose, with *delegates from Melrose, Reading* and Marblehead; Methodist church, General Secretary W. H. Wyman of Chelsea and delegates from Chelsea and Salem. The convention will continue through today and Sunday.

Vermont's Fire Losses.

Brattleboro, Vt., Jan. 23.—A record of Vermont's *fire losses for 1896* has been compiled by L. S. Hayes of Bellows Falls. With a total of 329 fires the aggregate loss was $621,071, and the insurance paid was $367,589. This is a decrease of 16 fires, $644,183 in loss and $468,039 in insurance paid in 1895. The previous year's losses were $1,265,254 and insurance paid $825,878. Of last year's fires 42 were incendiary, 57 caused by defective chimneys or stovepipes, 25 by lightning, 19 from broken and 8 from exploding lamps or lanterns, 14 from stoves or furnaces, 7 from sparks on the roof, 19 from unknown causes and 18 not reported. The losses by counties follow: Addison, $38,000; Bennington, $39,000; Caledonia, $66,000; Chittendon, $54,000; Essex, $5000; Franklin, $68,000; Grand Isle, $1800; Lamoille, $5000; Orange, $14,000; Orleans, $66,000; Rutland, $110,000; Washington, $22,000; Windham, $97,000; Windsor, $30,000.

Must Stand Trial.

New York, Jan. 23.—Judge Fitzgerald, in general sessions, yesterday, handed down a decision overruling the demurrer to the indictment for conspiracy against the American Tobacco company. The opinion discusses generally the law touching upon conspiracy by a corporation. By the decision of Judge Fitzgerald, the directors and officers must stand trial.

Swindler Caught.

Waterbury, Conn., Jan. 23.—Harry M. Brown, alias P. C. Crittenden, an alleged forger, who has been doing various towns in Massachusetts and this state, was arrested here yesterday. The Eastern Specialty company, 39 Oliver street, Boston, is among his victims, as he had been getting drafts cashed on them which were worthless, and they sent out the description which led to his arrest.

Aged Man Drops Dead.

Belfast, Me., Jan. 23.—David Lancaster, one of the oldest business men in this city, dropped dead in his grocery last night. He was 83 years old.

Verdict for Defendant.

In the case of Ellen McCrane vs James MeManus, the defendant; being administrator of his wife's estate, tried in the police court. Judge Hadley found for the defendant. The plaintiff claimed payment of an alleged legacy under the will. B. D. O'Connell appeared for the plaintiff and Peter A. Fay for the defendant.

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THE LITTLE CANADA FIRE

MR. MARET BADLY BURNED IN HIS BUILDING.

Taken in the Ambulance to St. John's Hospital.

What might have been a very serious fire broke out in Little Canada at 5.15 last evening, but prompt work by the fire department, hose 8 in particular, stayed the progress of the flames.

Arthur Maret conducts a small but well stocked dyeing establishment on Chesver street, and while at work last evening with naptha, the naptha in some manner caught fire and in an instant the entire rear of the store was in flames, Mr. Maret's clothing and hands getting adre before he could escape.

Damas H. Laporte, whose office is next door rung in the alarm from box 28, and in a very short time hose 8 arrived, the members of the company quickly getting a line of hose in the store. After a short but tough fight the fire was extinguished, though not until almost the entire stock had been destroyed.

Dr. Ricker arrived in the ambulance, and found that Mr. Maret was terribly burned about both hands and one arm and ordered his removal to St. John's hospital, where his intense sufferings were alleviated.

The building is owned by the Appleton National bank, and is known as the Thompson block. It is insured and its damages will reach $200.

The loss on the contents is not known.

Mathew Temperance Institute.

A committee of 50 has been appointed to arrange for the Easter Monday ball. There is quite a contest going on for the floor directorship, the candidates being Patrick F. Reilly and William Mullen. The election may take place tomorrow.

The rehearsals for the presentation of the annual dramatic performance are being conducted twice a week.

There will be a meeting of the base ball association in a short time to make preparations for the season.

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SPORTING GOSSIP.

For want of a better occupation I dropped in on a gathering of old time sports, a few evenings ago, in a down town loitering place and found that they were swapping yarns.

Now, the yarns of the old sport are twice as interesting as those of the ancient mariner, for if his theme doesn't suit us we can dispute him, while the ancient mariner generally has odds on us.

I stayed with them a short time and what I heard was worth hearing, particularly the following poker yarn, of which there is more truth than poetry:

"Say, boys," said one, when the waiter had brought the hot lemonade, "did you ever run up against 'Pelham Pete, (which by the way was not his name,) who came here about eight years ago from Dracut (which by the way was not the place). He was a star performer and for a few months he didn't do a thing but work the crowd. Every night that he played he got up with a roll big enough to carry him to the Paris exposition in 1900 if it kept on growing"

"Yes, I played with him," said the Nestor of the party, a wise old coss and "dead fly." "I was up against him several times and I had the pleasure of being in the game with him the night before he left town."

"Tell us about it," requested the others, settling back in their chairs for a good story.

"Well, he was one of seven who were playing ——'s this night," said the story teller, and I was sitting next him. He began to win like—the deuce, and finally I thought I'd stay out of a few pots and give him my whole attention. It was a great scheme on my part, for I capped his game in a few minutes.

He had a hand on him like a foot, and he also appeared to have a bad cough, though from the sound of it I soon suspected that his cough was a bluff. Then I noticed that every time he coughed he made a funny move of his body, bringing one of his arms down about his legs. Then I put my two eyes on that arm that was doing the funny move and what do you think? That son of a gun was holding nit cards and every time he coughed and brought down his arm his hand contained a couple of good cards which he'd slip under his knee keeping them there by sitting with his leg bent up. If he wanted a card, he'd cough and run the hand down after them sliding the useless cards over under the table, and once in a while telling how sick he was. I grabbed his wrist at the next cough after I got on and showed up two aces. Then Mr. Pete coughed up his stack and got out of that room p. d. q., and the next day he left town.

Then another of the party told of a local player who in a big pot one night held four aces pat and in his excitement discarded one of them on the draw. But when he went on to say that as the card was larger the discards were shuffled up and the holder of the aces on the draw pulled in the ace that he'd thrown away. I decided that they were beginning to get a little off color in their yarns and quit them.

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